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GOULD'S ACADEMY NOTES.

Prof. Hanscom was unable to hold recitations Monday afternoon and Tuesday, on account of sickness.

Miss Stevens has recovered from the mumps and returned to school. The Annual Prize Speaking will be held Feb. 28.

Pupils not absent from Miss Richardson's room are:

Ernest Bowler.
Albert Clark.
Harold Chandler.
Eddie Mercer.
Freddie Robertson.
Willie Spinnex.
Charles Tuell.
Harry Taylor.

Pupils not absent one-half day from Miss Clark's room are:

Ivan Arno.
Bertie Grover.
Guy Kendall.
Roland Marsden.
Guy Morgan.
Ida Packard.
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THE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP BY THE NEWS MAN.

Mrs. E. C. Rowe is visiting in Boston.

Will Stone of Portland was in town, Saturday.

Col. C. S. Edwards was at South Paris last Friday.

Wiltred Bowler was in Palermo a few days last week.

Mr. Walter Chandler has returned to Norway to work.

Miss Annie Turner has gone to her home in New Vineyard.

Mrs. A. M. Farwell went to West Bethel, Tuesday, to visit her mother.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. M. Philbrook Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Calvin Bisbee is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Churchill, of West Paris.

Arthur Wiley, who is studying medicine in Portland, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. W. A. Bunting and children will go to Groveton, N. H., the last of the week.

Miss Hattie Foster has been confined to her home by the grip for the past two weeks.

The Ladies' Church Aid Society will meet with Mrs. O. S. Pillsbury Thursday afternoon.

Mr. F. P. Chandler and family will occupy the rent on Main St., vacated by Mr. Bunting.

The Columbian Club will meet Friday, Jan. 31, at the usual hour, with Mrs. D. S. Hastings.

Several from our village attended the church fair at Newry Corner and reported a very enjoyable time.

The members of the Rebekah degree staff are requested to meet for drill at the hall Friday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Ten cent supper followed by a social at the Universalist chapel Friday, Jan. 31. Admission to social without supper five cents.

Miss Anna Jordan, who is very pleasantly remembered by a host of Bethel friends, is spending the winter with her brother in Kansas City, Missouri.

Miss Effie J. Thurston, who has been attending the Bliss Business College of Lewiston, for the past few months, returned to her home in Newry last Saturday.

Mr. W. A. Bunting has been transferred from the Bethel station to that at Groveton, N. H., Mr. Fred P. Chandler, from Bryant Pond, taking his place here.

Mr. C. M. Wormell, who has been in the hospital at Portland for the past three weeks, has returned to the home of his son Fred, the physicians deeming an operation inadvisable.

The Methodist Fourth Quarterly Conference will be held at the M. E. church next Saturday evening. Dr. Ladd will be present and will also occupy the pulpit Sunday morning.

There will be no preaching services at the Congregational church next Sunday. Sunday school will be held in Garland chapel at 12 o'clock, and it is hoped that all will be present.

Judging from appearances it is about time for the citizens of this village to take up a collection for one of our prominent lawyers so that it will not be necessary for him to carry his legal documents in a grain sack.

The Ladies' Circle of Middle Intervale wishes to inform its friends that a Poverty Social will be held at the home of Mrs. F. J. Russell, Friday evening, Jan. 31. You are invited to come, dressed to suit the occasion, and are promised a good time and "something good to eat."

Mr. John Abbott died at his home in Bethel last night after a brief illness. Mr. Abbott suffered a shock Monday which resulted in his death. He was one of Bethel's oldest citizens being in his 83rd year. The funeral services will be held at his late residence Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

Bits About Bowdoin.

The First Junior Assembly for '02 at Brunswick was held last Friday evening in that most dignified of reception rooms, the beautiful Memorial Hall. Scores of college-cushions (which could but touch the imagination as one fancies how fair fingers had wrought many a friendly thought into their "warp and woof"), divans, screens, and draperies gave a most hospitable appearance to the handsome hall. Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Robinson, and Mrs. Dennis were the receiving matrons from the Faculty, and were most gracious in bearing, most tactful in bestowing the little attentions that mark the hostess of experience. The music was fine, the guests in the gayest of spirits, so that even the chaperons (those chastened members of society) confessed to such enjoyment as to be conscious of no fatigue.

Bethel and Cleveland were represented by Misses Mueller, Narten, and Weitz, chaperoned by Mrs. Gehring, with Messrs. Farnsworth, Woodbury, and Merrill as escorts.

One is struck anew when revisiting Brunswick with the college buildings that surround the Campus, as the principal ones might serve as standards of taste and good judgment.

That the beautiful grey stone chapel, with its twin spires and an interior like a glimpse into an English cathedral, should have been built in Maine so long ago, speaks for the influence the older State of Massachusetts has always exerted upon the standards of Maine.

The noble Memorial Hall with its windows shining like jewels into the darkness of the night, and from whose walls look down the faces of Bowdoin's honored sons—the whole building telling its immortal story of our heroes in the Civil War; the Art Building—one of the few in this country which commands universal praise—an honor to any city in the land; the fine Science Building, and now slowly rising into grand proportions the magnificent College Library—all give to a lover of Maine a sense of real pride in the refined taste and broad cultivation that have made the buildings around Bowdoin's Campus actual models of their kind.

The new Professor of History, Dr. Dennis, from Princeton College, and his charming young wife, the daughter of Geo. W. Cable, the world-known author, are great additions, socially as well as intellectually to the Bowdoin Faculty.

They were immensely popular among both guests and students at the Assembly, and expressed themselves as delighted with Brunswick college life.

Mr. Robert Bisbee did the honors of the fine new Chapter House belonging to his Fraternity, by escorting some of the members of the Bethel party through the new building, with its homelike appointments and artistic interior.

Very attractive are these bachelor suites of parlor and bedroom.

Mr. Edwin Harvey was observed to be a remarkably cheerful looking Freshman, enthusiastically appreciative about college-life despite the months that lie before him containing hazing possibilities.

Mr. Robt. Foster was among those who came to greet the Bethel party. He is finding great interest in his chosen profession, the law, and enters the Harvard Law School next year.

At Chapel on Saturday morning, Prof. Henry Leland Chapman, one of Bethel's most honored sons, conducted the service in a manner that can but leave an impression upon minds that will in the coming years learn to know that words they heard from the lips of patient teachers are words that do not "pass away."

Leon Walker at the organ, filled the spaces with harmony, and the fine voices heard recently among us in college-songs, sounded even finer in the grand old hymns they sang so well.

How can Bethel people help beaming proud of Bowdoin College, and of Bowdoin boys?

M. T. G.

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Concert from eight to ten.

A Correction.

Unqualified praise is such a pleasant thing and so seldom received that it requires heroic efforts to renounce it. But an uncomfortable and uncompromising sense of one's own deserts compels one to ask the privilege of a slight correction in last week's very favorable report of the Library Benefit.

The work of preparing for Mrs. Farley was shared by all the members of the Board of Trustees and much of the success is due to the generous and skillful assistance of those taking part. Indeed, one of the most delightful features of the affair and the one that will be remembered with the most pleasure by the management, was the helpful spirit of cordial and courteous cooperation with which every one entered into it and the ready response with which every request for assistance was met.

Mothers gave their children to be browned, almost beyond hope of redemption, without a murmur, George Washington sacrificed without a moment's hesitation an offending mustache.

The most realistic and impressive Indian that ever whooped across a stage cheerfully offered up a horse's tail to the cause. And the George Washington who was to have been, bore the annoyance of finding at the eleventh hour that he was too big a man for his costume with a serenity that would have been an ornament to the first President himself, consoled somewhat in his retirement, it is suspected, by the plaudits won by the Goddess of Liberty, in whose appearance the Father of His Country might naturally be supposed to be interested.

The Trustees are especially indebted to Mrs. M. A. Merrill and Mr. Clinton Barker for valuable assistance, and to Mr. Carrier for the brilliant lighting of the stage and for other timely aid. And lastly, to the splendid audience which Miss McCobb, who has certainly had experience with audiences, pronounced one of the most responsive and agreeable she had ever met.

M. C. H.

Bethel Festival Chorus.

The program which the Bethel Festival Chorus will offer to their friends, Thursday night, Feb. 6, is as follows:

Hallelujah Chorus, From Messiah
CHORUS.
Only the Sound of a Voice, Watson
Mrs. YORK.

Reading, Selected
Mrs. VANDENKERCKHOVEN.
Solo, Selected
MISS CHAMBERLAIN.

Sextette—Patience, Sullivan
CHORUS.
INTERMISSION.
O Come Let Us Worship, Mendelssohn
CHORUS.

The Lorelei, Franz Listz
Mrs. YORK. Selected
Mrs. VANDENKERCKHOVEN.
"Iolaetha," Sullivan
CHORUS.

This concert will be held in Garland chapel and the admission will be 15 cents.

An Arkansas man says that last summer's drouth in that country makes it very easy on the women. A man could go to the hen-house and get a roasted egg, to the garden and get roasted corn, baked potatoes and live fine. A fellow didn't need a wife to cook for him and if they should have several drouths in succession they would have a big crop of old maids.

Old Time Dances Again.

For the past few years Bethel dancers have been obliged to content themselves with an annual German, the gentlemen's and ladies' balls which have occurred each winter, and an occasional evening of enjoyment as guests of the B's of B. All of these are supposed to be dress affairs, conducted with more or less formality. Tiring of this display of "purple and fine linen," some of our ladies conceived the idea of a shirt-waist party. Consequently, about sixty invited couples met in Odeon Hall four weeks ago and enjoyed a delightfully informal dancing party.

It was an undisputed success, and the young gentlemen present evidently took the hint so delicately given them, and decided then and there, to give a series of plain, social, 50-cent dances. Many of these gentlemen have long felt that their assisting to defray the expenses of the annual gentlemen's ball, or an occasional B's of B effort was not sufficient to discharge the obligation under which they have been placed by their entertainers. Under the new order of things, the matter of obligation is done away with entirely as each gentleman invited entitles himself and ladies to an evening of enjoyment by paying the sum mentioned above.

Last Thursday evening the first of the series was given in Odeon Hall. Forty-five couples were present. Music was furnished by Mr. Stearns of Norway, Miss King and Mr. Hastings of Bethel, and Mr. Bell of West Bethel. Thirteen numbers formed a very pleasing card.

The promoters are much pleased with the success of the event, and will give a similar dance once in two weeks. The next will be under the auspices of the Volunteer Hose Co., to whom Mr. Lovejoy has kindly offered the use of his newly completed dining hall.

BRYANT POND.

Harry Cole was in Boston, last week.

M. M. Hathaway and Frank Lane went to Portland with a carload of apples, a week ago.

Mr. Wesley Robinson is at work for D. D. Peverley.

Dr. Carroll was away Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Peverley were called to Bridgton, last Tuesday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Peverley's brother's oldest boy, Everett Hallett, who died from pneumonia, Jan. 20, aged seven-teen years. The remaining boy is very ill from the same disease.

John Hathaway has been quite sick; also Clint. Littlefield.

A whist party last Friday night at Grange Hall, forty were present, all had a very pleasant time.

A Cure for Lumbago.

W. C. Williamson, of Amherst, Va., says: "For more than a year I suffered from lumbago. I finally tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm and it gave me entire relief, which all other remedies had failed to do."

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NEWRY CORNER.

The hay-pressers have moved to John Allen's place.

On Thursday last the Andros-coggin river was free of ice here for the second time this winter.

St. John Hastings is able to be gathering cream once more.

Our young people were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Swain of Swan's Corner, on Monday evening.

Wednesday morning we were awakened by the music of the rain. It was a dismal outlook for the evening Sale and Supper, but a hopeful one said, "it may clear by ten o'clock or three or perchance, sunset," but not until Friday was all propitious; then were hurrying to and fro. The hall was elaborately decorated, under the supervision of Miss Ethel Hastings, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harlowe and Mrs. Frank Bisbee.

Our friends from North Newry, Hanover, and Bethel Village were gladly welcomed. The well-filled fancy table was in charge of Miss Ethel Hastings. There were the usual number of quilts. Home-made candies were dispensed by Miss Lena Bailey. The Scripture Cake, so delftly cut and quickly sold by Bert Harlowe was proof, when eaten, that the patriarchs of old were much like men of modern times. The rummage corner was in care of Mrs. Edwin Swain.

There gentlemen could buy a white vest and a new derby. Skirts, waists and underwear for ladies; hoods and 'boots for babies, glass-ware for the table. Even the old woman who "lived in a shoe and had so many children she didn't know what to do" was out to take advantage of prices. The fish-pond proved an unfailing amusement; the anglers awaited their turn, and each thing produced, whether useful or ridiculous, seemed alike to render the recipient happy. Music to cheer was furnished by Mr. J. C. Saunders and Mr. Bert Harlowe. We are grateful to those who assisted us in the literary entertainment: recitations by Cheslie Saunders and Everett Brown. A song by Miss Flossie Brown with accompaniment by Miss Grace Hastings; readings by Miss Ellen Douglas and Miss Nellie Howard. Supper was served in the vestry; later there was music and marching for the young people. Receipts for the evening, over \$50.

DIRECTORY.

We are pleased to publish the following directory for the benefit of our citizens and visitors, and to insure correctness the News should be promptly notified when changes occur.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen—S. B. Twitchell, C. E. Barker, West, F. J. Russell, Clerk, L. T. Barker; Treasurer, W. W. Hastings; Supt. of Schools, H. H. Hastings; School Committee, Z. W. Bartlett, East; N. F. Brown, Miss Susie Twitchell; Town Agent A. E. Herrick; Collector, H. H. Bean; Auditor, Calvin Bisbee.

MAIL SERVICE.

Mails Close.
Going East, 8:40 a. m., 3:15 p. m.
Closed mail for Portland and Boston, 8 p. m.
Mails Arrive.
From East - 10:50 a. m.; 4:50 p. m.
From West, - 9:15 a. m., 3:45 p. m.

CHURCHES.

Methodist Episcopal, Main street, Rev. O. S. Pillsbury, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Junior League meeting, 3 p. m.; Prayer meeting Sunday, 7:00 p. m.; Class meeting, Tuesday 7:30 p. m.; Epworth League and Church Prayer meeting, Friday 7:30 p. m.

Universalist, Church street, Rev. F. E. Barton, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.

Congregational, Church street, Rev. Arthur Varley, Pastor. Sunday—Preaching service, 10:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 12 m.; Y. P. C. U., 7 p. m.; Junior S. C. E., 4 p. m. Tuesday—Prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Union Church, West Bethel, supplied by Rev. Arthur Varley and Rev. F. E. Barton. Sunday—Preaching, 2:30 p. m.; Sunday school, 3:30 p. m.

LIBRARY.

Public Library, Broad street. Open Wednesday, from 6 to 8 p. m.; Saturday, 4 to 8 p. m. Over 2000 volumes. Mrs. G. R. Wiley, President; Annie Frye, Secretary; Mrs. O. M. Mason, Treasurer; Mrs. L. T. Barker, Librarian.

FRATERNAL ORDERS.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M.—Wilfred Bowler, W. M.; E. H. Young, S. W.; H. M. Farwell, J. W.; E. C. Rowe, Treasurer; D. G. Lovejoy, Secretary. Meets second Thursday of each month.

Mt. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 31—Rufus Skillings, N. G.; F. J. Tyler, V. G.; Charles Mason, Rec. Sec.; A. C. Frost, Fin. Sec.; S. I. French, Treas. Meetings Saturday evenings.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 64—Alice J. Farwell, N. G.; Lydia E. Parker, V. G.; Anna B. French, Rec. Sec.; Marcia Hastings, Fin. Sec.; Ellen M. Burbank, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

Bethel Orange, No. 56—F. E. Bean, W. M.; Bertha Valentine, L. Gipsy Barker, Sec. Meets every other Saturday at two o'clock.

Sudbury Col., No. 50, U. O. P. F.—J. C. Billings, Gov.; E. C. Park, Sec.; E. S. Kilborn, Treas. Meets first and third Monday of each month.

Brown Post, No. 84, G. A. R.—A. H. Hutchinson, P. C. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

Brown Post, W. R. C., No. 36—Miss E. E. Burnham, Pres.; Mrs. C. S. Littlejohn, Sec.; Miss Angie Chapman, Treas. Meets the first and third Thursday of each month.

United Order of Golden Cross No. 404—N. C. E. E. Burnham, W. T. Galvin, B. B. K. of R., S. W. Grover; K. of R., F. W. Bisbee.

CORPORATIONS.

Bethel Savings Bank—S. B. Twitchell, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Manufacturing Co.—J. H. Barrows, Pres.; W. H. Winslow, Treas. and General Manager.

Bethel Water Co.—Enoch Foster, Pres.; A. E. Herrick, Treas.

Bethel Dairying Co.—W. E. Abbott, Manager.

Riverside Park Association—C. M. Wormell, Pres.; E. C. Rowe, Treas.

Bethel Light Co.—E. C. Bowler, Pres.; W. W. Hastings, Treas.

SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

Ladies' Club, Congregational—Pres. Mrs. F. S. Chandler; Vice Pres., Hattie Foster; Sec., Mrs. Hattie Richardson; Treas., Mrs. F. B. Tuell. Meets Thursday afternoon.

Ladies' Circle, Universalist—Mrs. O. M. Mason, Pres.; Mrs. G. R. Wiley, Vice Pres.; Mrs. L. B. Hopkins, Sec.; Mrs. E. C. Rowe, Treas. Meets Wednesday afternoon.

Ladies' Church Aid Society, Methodist—Mrs. Alice Jordan, Pres.; Mrs. L. Bisbee, Vice Pres.; Miss Ethel Morse, Sec.; Mrs. W. D. Hastings, Treas.

Columbian Club—Mrs. J. G. Gehrig, Pres.; Miss Annie M. Frye, Sec.; Mrs. T. F. Hastings, Treas.

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The Gunmaker Of Moscow

By SYLVANUS COBB, Jr.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE MYSTIC TRIBUNAL.

Away back of the old Cathedral of Moscow and in a narrow, dark court which was overlooked by the towers of the giant edifice stood a curiously constructed stone building, which, though not connected bodily with the cathedral, yet seemed to belong to it. It was low and broad, with a flat, tiled roof and without a visible window. Within one of the apartments of this building—an apartment away down in the bowels of the earth, where the light of day never came—were seated six men. The room was of fair size, and the floor, the walls and the ceiling were of dark stone. Wooden benches were arranged about the place, and there were some other articles of furniture there, too—strange contrivances they were and fashioned after various shapes and patterns. But of that anon. The place was lighted by a large hanging lamp which had just power enough to make the room gloomy and dismal. The six men sat about a table on which were a book and sword, and the most prominent man there was Vladimir, the monk.

And Vladimir alone exposed his face. All the rest wore black masks, their robes being of the same melancholy hue. They sat there silent as death, Vladimir gazing down upon the table and the other five gazing fixedly upon him. They were stout men, all of them, and they bore themselves toward Vladimir as bears a servant to his acknowledged master.

"The hour is waxing late," said Vladimir at length, looking up from the table. His voice sounded in that place like the echo of a tomb. It was low and hollow, and the others started as they heard it.

"There's time yet to spare, master," replied one who sat next the monk.

"I trust we shall not be disappointed," said Vladimir at the expiration of a few moments more.

To this no answer was returned.

At length there came a dull echo from overhead, and the six dark sitters started up to listen. The sound grew louder, and soon it sent down into that dismal chamber the notes of coming footsteps. In a few moments more the heavy iron door creaked upon its hinges, and three men entered, and soon behind them came three more. Those who came in advance were two of them leading the third as a prisoner. And so it was with those behind. The iron door creaked again, and when the heavy bolts had been shoved into their sockets the two prisoners were led forward.

"Master," spoke one of the newcomers, "we have brought the prisoners—two of them—as you commanded."

"It is well," said Vladimir. "Let them be brought before us."

As the two men were brought to where the light can strike upon their faces we see the two guides who conducted Ruric Nevel to his place of confinement. One of them was he who met Ruric in the street, and the other is the one who guided him into the old bathhouse with the lantern in his hand. They shuddered fearfully as they gazed around upon the dismal scene, and their looks plainly showed that they knew not why they had been brought thither.

"Lesko Totma!" pronounced Vladimir.

The first of the prisoners—the one who had met Ruric in the street—started as he heard that name and tried to speak.

"Are you the man?" asked the monk, looking into his face.

"Yes, holy father," the wretch tremblingly replied.

"Then stand you here in front of me."

The fellow was moved up in front of the table, and surprise and fear seemed to be struggling for the mastery over him, for he recognized now the strange monk about whom he had probably heard so much.

"Lesko Totma," said Vladimir low and slowly, "you have been seen much in the company of a hump-backed priest named Savotano. You know such a priest, do you not?"

The man hesitated. He gazed furtively about him and trembled more than before.

"Answer me!"

"Yes, sir, I know him."

"And now, sir, be sure that you answer me directly and truly. Do you know a young gunmaker named Ruric Nevel?"

The fellow started with a perceptible quake as this question was asked, but he seemed to have been prepared for it, for his answer was direct.

"No, sir, I do not."

"Ha! Beware! Think well before you speak."

"If you mean the man who fought the duel with the Count Damonoff, then I have heard of him, but I do not know that I ever saw him."

"Then you are sure of this?"

"Of course I am."

"Frederic Viska!"

The second prisoner now came forward. He was a few years younger than his companion, though somewhat larger and evidently more bold. Totma was conducted out of the apartment as Viska came forward.

"You, too, have been in the company of this priest, Savotano, have you not?" the monk asked.

"I know him," the fellow replied, with a slight touch of defiance in his tone. He had not surely looked about him to see those strange contrivances by which he was surrounded, or he would not have ventured such a tone.

"And you have been some in his company?"

"Very well. And now, do you not also know Ruric Nevel?"

"I have seen him, too, sir."

"And now can you tell me where he is at this present time?"

"No," was the answer, short and quick.

"Beware! If you have any regard for your own welfare, you will answer me truly. Where is Ruric Nevel?"

"I tell you I know nothing about him—nothing at all."

"And of this you are sure?"

"Who are you that assume to question me thus? I know you not."

Viska spoke this in a tone of virtuous indignation, probably thinking that that turn might serve him.

"We will let you into the secret by and by," the monk returned, with a peculiar shake of the head.

"But I will ask you once more, do you know where Nevel is?"

"No!"

"You need not speak quite so loud. We hear easily."

"Then don't ask me impertinent questions," retorted the prisoner.

Vladimir started half way up, and his fists were clinched, but the quick flush passed from his face, and he sat back again.

"Look ye," he said as soon as he was sure his anger would not manifest itself, "were I not sure that you know what I ask I would not question you thus. And now, once more I ask you, will you give me some clew to the whereabouts of Ruric Nevel?"

"I'll answer you once more. I know nothing about him. You must not think that this dark place and you men all dressed in black can frighten me into telling a lie as it might a child."

At this point Vladimir turned to one of his men, one of those who helped bring the prisoners in, and said:

"You know this to be the man?"

"Yes, my master."

"And you have seen him in private confab with the hump-backed priest?"

"I have."

"And the other things you told me are true?"

"They are, master."

"Then let down those interpreters."

thumbs back upon the wrists, but it also twisted the thumb, the two cups being armed with filelike teeth within and closing tightly upon the flesh.

"Now, sir," spoke Vladimir lowly and deeply, "I am going to ask these questions again, and you will do well to answer them truly. Will you tell me where Ruric Nevel is?"

"I don't know."

"Will you tell me where you saw him last?"

"I haven't seen him since he fought the duel with Damonoff."

"Beware!"

"I have not."

"Mark me, I have had you watched, and I know that you have seen Nevel within these three days. This I know, so I have no hesitation in the course I am about to pursue. Once more, where is Ruric Nevel?"

The man hesitated now, but his answer was still the same. He would not tell.

Vladimir made a motion to the two men who stood by the wall, and they gave a pull upon the chain.

"O God!" gasped the prisoner as the painful twist and wrench came upon his thumbs.

"Will you answer?"

"How can I? How can I?"

"By speaking what you know."

"I know nothing."

Another signal was made to the men at the chain, and they pulled again; another groan from the prisoner, but no other response.

Another signal and another pull. "Mercy!" shrieked the poor wretch, quivering with pain.

"Will you answer?"

"I don't know."

"Then we must try again."

"No, no; O God, no more!"

"But you must answer."

"I don't know."

"Then, you must have forgotten, and such treacherous memories need starting up."

As Vladimir thus spoke he waved his hand again.

"O God, have mercy! Oh-o-o! Save me! Save me!"

"Save yourself."

The wretch was in torment now without ceasing. Nearly the whole of his weight bore upon his wrists and thumbs, and the latter were drawn over almost to the wrist. But he would not answer. He had a deeper fear than this. He feared to break the horrid oaths by which he was bound to the scheming priest.

One more pull upon the chain, and the man's feet were clear of the floor. His whole weight now bore upon his thumbs, and he groaned in the agony of torture. He bore it a few moments, but his coward soul could bear no more.

"O God! Down, down! Let me down!"

"But answer. Where is Ruric Nevel?"

"I—I—don't—"

"Hold, thou false hearted villain!" shouted Vladimir in a voice of thunder. "This is the last of this torture, but when we take you from here we can put you into a state compared with which the pain you now experience is real joy. Each particular limb shall be wrrenched all out of shape, and your very eyes shall start out like—"

"Down, down! O great God, down!"

"Where is Ruric Nevel?"

"I'll tell you! I'll tell you if you spare me!"

"Tell me first!"

There was a moment more of hesitation, one single moment, and then the miserable wretch gave up.

"He's in the bathhouse."

"Ha! Where?"

"In the old bathhouse near the river on the Tula pass in one of the vaults!"

"Very well. Let him down."

The chain was slackened up, and Frederic Viska was once more upon his feet. He trembled yet, for there was pain in his arms.

"Now carry him out," ordered Vladimir, "and bring the other one in."

In a few moments more Lesko Totma was before the strange tribunal. He trembled fearfully, for he had been where he could hear his companion's groans without hearing what he said.

"Lesko Totma," spoke the monk in a low, deep tone, "we have given you time for thought, and mayhap you have your memory brightened by this time. Now, where is Ruric Nevel?"

"I don't know."

"Ah, you still forget, eh?"

"I never knew."

"A most strange forgetfulness, I must confess. Let the interpreters be adjusted!"

"Oh, mercy! Don't murder me!"

But no notice was taken of his cries. The straps and conical cups were adjusted and the chain drawn tight. At the first turn of the self-acting screw the fellow shrieked. It was not so much with the present pain as with the fear of what was to come. The very presage of the place, so dark and dismal, had more effect upon his mind than it had upon his companion.

At a second pull of the chain he groaned and begged for mercy. He had heard of this dark place, and he

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fancied that men who came there seldom went away alive.

"Hark ye, base wretch," the monk said, "if you do not tell me where the young gunmaker is I'll have you torn limb from limb. Another pull, there!"

As the wrench came again the villain fairly shouted with pain.

"Oh, let me go! Let me go! I'll tell all!"

"Then tell. You leave not this place alive until you have told."

"He is—O God! He is—in the old bath!"

"Where?"

"The duke's bath, on the pass of Tula!"

"Whereabouts there?"

"In the lowest, farthest vault. Oh, spare!"

Vladimir waved his hand, and the quaking wretch was freed from his torture.

"Now conduct them both to the dungeons and lock them up. They must not run at large for the present. Let them be secure."

"No, no," cried Viska, who had been brought back. "You were to let me go if I told you."

"Not free, sir," said Vladimir.

"But you have no right to hold me thus. I am nearly dead with pain now where you have torn my hands in pieces. By the—"

"Silence, dog! My authority here is my power. My right is my might. I have you, and I will keep you. Were I to let you go I might not have the power to catch you again, as legal officers could. Lead them off, and then we'll turn our attention to the duke's bath!"

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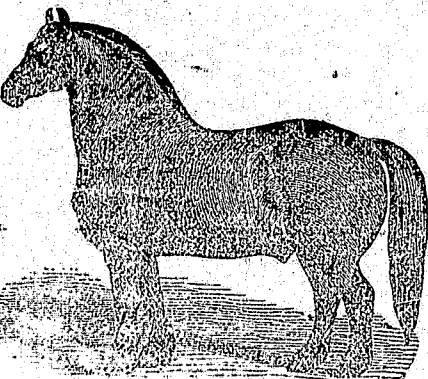
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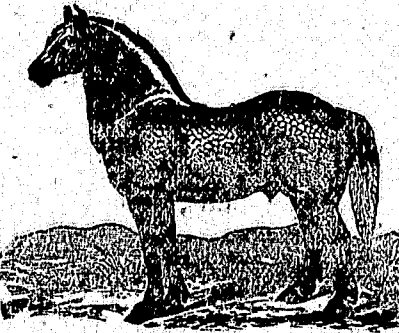
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Unwelcome sight to weary eyes— Profane ejaculations rise, And though the socks need all her yarn, Her first wild impulse is to darn That stocking bag.

She mends—and sighs for angel-wings— Not that she's ripe for heavenly things, This is the thought that takes the lead.

Wings save the feet, and thus, no need Of stocking bag!

A woman's work is never done; According to the proverb's run; If this be true—and there's small doubt—

Life always will to her hold out Some stocking bag! —Good Housekeeping.

The Teacher Must Know.

In view of the fact that so many people are apt to think that the teacher, because her hours are short, has a continuous snap in life, the following list of requirements are reproduced from the list prepared by S. B. Todd of the American Book Company:

She must know more, do more, be more and endure more than any other breadwinner. She must know everything in heaven above, the earth beneath, and the waters under the earth. She receives no special credit for knowing them, but woe be to her if she knows them not.

She must teach the three "R's" as in the olden times, but mark the additions.

She must teach physiology with all the skill of a physician, but without his opportunity for hiding his mistakes.

She must teach civics with all the learning of a lawyer, but without his library.

She must teach virtue and goodness with all the zeal of a minister, but without his Bible or his sectarian bias.

Under the title of "Nature's Lessons" she must teach the elements of all the sciences known to man, but, unlike her sister in the high school, she must do it without a text book.

She must teach music, drawing, penmanship and physical culture with the ability of a specialist, but must give the supervisor all the credit for the success attained.

She must teach business forms, business usage, short cuts and brief methods with all the knowledge of a bookkeeper, or the schools are impractical.

She must at her own expense attend institutes and associations, listen to long-winded theorists, dry-as-dust professors, sentimentalists, enthusiastic promoters, visionary reformers, shrewd self-advertisers, persistent hobby-riders and educational mountebanks only to attend the next meeting and hear a new crop of theorists with a job lot of contradictions, a series of orders and counter orders which would bewilder the most astute philosopher.

Scolding Begets Deceit.

To-day children grow up and have to bear the responsibilities of life much earlier than they did one hundred years ago, for they are forced into positions where they are expected to play the part of young people before they are old enough to bear it, before they are educated to understand the magnitude of the responsibility.

The slowly developed physical and mental life is the one of endurance of both body and character. Many parents rush their children into the arena of society too young, and much to their injury in many ways. If the seeds of impurity are in the child's life by inheritance, then by an early indiscriminate mingling of sexes these seeds, germinate and evil tendencies soon develop, and we know the result.

Many people say these things should not be noticed; better let them alone, and they will pass away. True, there are the right

hand errors and left-hand errors; but let us avoid both by guarding every avenue to the child's mind, for if we do not these seeds will produce plants, and we will find the insidious evils have taken root, and they are very hard to eradicate.

Watch the company of your children, and do not let them have too much at one time. It is sad to see the mad rush for notoriety that is thrust on the child, allowing it to spend its time in so much play with other children, when it were better to have it perform simple work, learning the value of honest labor. It is true, valuable enjoyment that we would seek for our little ones. Teach them self-reliance, and yet humility. Harsh criticism from the parents burns the tenderness out of their young lives, and makes them rough with others. It is a false judgment that commands without reason after they have arrived at an age to reason. It is wrong to demand obedience for no higher thought than because you are parents. Fathers and mothers, look well to your ways before it is too late, and your house is left to you desolate. Take your children into your confidence, hold them close to your hearts; let them know that you can trust them, and remember that the tone of your voice is an indication of your spirit. We need to be positive but not unreasonable. Scolding and threats will make children deceitful.

Speak gently to older people and then ask your children to do so. It is not wise to require your children to do what you do not. When you make a mistake, confess it; for you must be what you want your children to be. If you have not that Christ love, you should try to find it by going to the fountain head, to God. Never make them a promise you cannot keep.

Professor Riddell says: "A great mistake is made by parents, and well-meaning parents, too, by developing the love of the opposite sex altogether too early in life. Children should be children much longer than they are. The child may have had no thought of loving one more than another until special attention was called to one by parents. Then, again, teasing and tormenting them not only develops the affections too early, but drive the children into secrecy and deception and thereby cause them to take steps they never would have taken if this feeling had remained undisturbed until its proper time of development and its manifestations allowed without criticism."

Motherhood.

The Value of Hygienic Mouth Washes.

The profession is beginning to appreciate at its full value the importance to health of a hygienic state of the mouth.

An English investigator has reached the conclusion that very many cases of anemia, blood poisoning, etc., are due to unhygienic states of the mouth and throat, the swallowing and absorption of vitiated secretions from the buccal cavity.

In the morning, on waking, the mouth of even the healthiest person is anything but wholesome. Warmth and moisture favor the decay of food particles, the fermentation of corrosive acids and other deleterious products, which attack the teeth and injure the mucous membrane of the mouth. The slowing of the circulation during the night deposits a coating, and allows the secretions to become stale and thick. To swallow this septic matter deteriorates the gastric juice, and will, at length, overcome normal resistances to a greater or lesser extent.

The writer has succeeded in overcoming a morning nausea and want of appetite with many people, simply by insisting upon hygiene of the mouth as a part of the morning toilet.

It is not enough to brush the teeth and tongue, though this is important. The patient should use an antiseptic mouth wash. Unquestionably the best thing for this purpose is Listerine. It is pleasant, aromatic, stimulating and effective. It is prescribed by doctors and dentists all over the civilized world, to keep the cavity of the head in a hygienic condition.

The solution employed should be reasonably strong, say a table-

spoonful of Listerine to a glass of water. The mouth should be thoroughly rinsed before and after cleaning the teeth and tongue, and some of the solution gargled as far down the throat as possible. If any is swallowed, no harm is done.

The sense of comfort and cleanliness which follows this procedure is indescribable. It should be repeated mornings and at bed-times. If it is followed, in the morning, by eating a bunch of grapes, an orange or apple before the regular breakfast is taken, the whole digestive economy is invigorated and gets down to work in a most satisfactory manner.—Medical Brief.

For Dandruff.

Dandruff is the most common and disagreeable disease of the scalp, and, if not cured, will cause the hair to fall and lose its gloss. Shampoo the head once a month with tar soap, and at night before braiding the hair, apply the following: Glycerine, powdered sulphur and borax—one drachm each—mixed with seven ounces of rosemary water. Rub this in well, and, if persisted in, it will effect a cure.

There is an art in washing one's head and hair, and, if rightly done, it is no easy task. First, the yolk of an egg is rubbed over the scalp, using a small brush; then the head is washed with warm soapy water to remove the egg, for if a particle remains it will dry stiff and make a snarl not easily combed out. Next comes rinsing in several waters to remove the soapy, smell and stickiness. If the hair is oily add a little bicarbonate of soda to the rinsing water to give a soft, fluffy effect.

Wipe the hair gently with towels, as dry as possible and let it hang loose an hour or longer. A sun and wind bath will take away any sour smell. Never coil the hair until it is entirely dry and never dry it before a hot fire.—Housekeeper.

COLLEGE BRED WOMEN.

Do They Lack the Charm of Manner Men Admire?

The question of the college girl in society is of equal importance with that of the college man in business, for as business is the vocation of most men so "society," using the word in its broadest sense and including in it all the "social" relations, claims so much of the time of many women that the few who take to "public careers" can safely be left out of the discussion. They are exceptional cases and do not affect the main point at issue. It is in her duties as friend, hostess, wife and mother that woman usually finds the larger part of her existence, and if her attractiveness and usefulness in the discharge of these duties are impaired by her devotion to purely intellectual pursuits most men feel and express an unqualified dissatisfaction.

It is asserted that many college women are found to lack that charm of manner and those graces of everyday life which men desire and demand. A woman may be learned, but if she cannot talk small talk, which is the largest part of talk, if she cannot manage a crowd of men and women in her drawing room, if she is without social tact and if she has no interest and skill in the small things of ordinary existence, but is continually leading the higher life, it is a sad but indisputable fact that her men friends will, to use their own low expression, "pass her up." They do not want that kind of woman.

In a man all corresponding defects would be excused for the reason that his life work lies in other directions. This is perhaps exceedingly unjust; but, like other things in this world, its injustice is no proof that it does not exist. A man who fails in his social relations may still be a useful person. Such is not the case with the vast majority of women.—Chicago Tribune.

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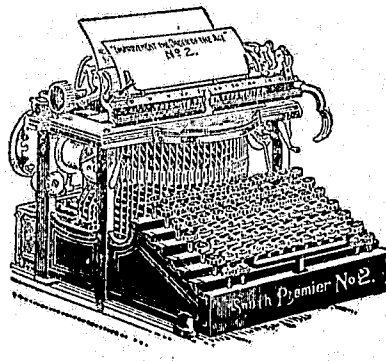
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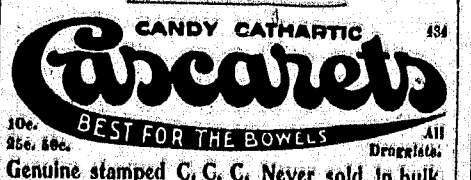
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Cholera is raging in Java. Boil your coffee before using it.

We have not yet received our invitation to attend King Edward's coronation.

Indian relics are manufactured by a farmer and his son near Janesville, Wis.

Chicago has a lady who writes stories in her sleep. Sort of nightmare tails, as it were.

If the earth's curves interfere with Marconi the high places will have to be cut off and thrown into the hollows.

Hereafter the United States will appear upon nearly all the maps of the world that are used in European schools.

Susan B. Anthony says that women will cease marrying as they grow more intelligent. Shut the girls out of college!

Emerson says reciprocity has been law without exception or provision, from Caesar down to our time. Caesar was not a sheriff, yet a sheriff is a seizer.

The whisky trust paid out \$1,941,368 in dividends during last year—more than double the amount of the year before.

Sir Thomas Lipton has begun building Shamrock III, and may as well begin thinking of plans for Shamrock IV right away.

Anarchist Rakowski, who goes to prison for ten years for threatening to kill President Roosevelt, seems to have finally found his level.

The prince and the prisoner eat course dinners. The prince has his three courses and the prisoner also three: coarse bread, coarse meat and coarse vegetables.

It took ten years to construct the Suez canal, and the cost was \$100,000,000. In 1900, 3441 vessels passed through the canal and paid tolls at the rate of \$2 per registered ton.

Minister Wu said the other day that his country was to have a new Minister of Education, and laughingly added that he feared a national "football coach" would soon follow.

There have already been recorded a number of remarkable cures of cancer by X rays and it is believed that in time the rays will prove an infallible cure when the cases are taken in time.

Leonard Roeder celebrated his 102 birthday at Quincy, Ill., last Saturday. He is one of the very few persons left in the world who witnessed the conflict on the plain of Waterloo, which changed the map of Europe and humbled the pride of the "little Corsican."

The state board of health of Ohio has declared that there are bacilli in money. This startling announcement doesn't trouble us in the least. If each and every dollar in the broad and wealthy land was alive and teeming with 7,417,397,811,417 disease germs, we couldn't even catch cold.

Vienna, the capital of Austria, is to have a new daily paper, backed by American capital, and equipped from cellar to garret with American machinery.

Work is being pushed on the new battle-ship Maine in the hope that it may go into commission on February 15, 1903, the fifth anniversary of the destruction of the Maine in Havana harbor.

When you are puzzling over the news from Washington about the isthmian canal, just recollect that every transcontinental railroad in the United States is fighting the canal project tooth and nail.

There is an island in the Sacramento river which produces most of the asparagus which is consumed in the United States out of season. The island produces more wealth than any gold mine in California.

"No man in Vermont is allowed to vote until he has made \$5000 trading horses with Massachusetts people," said Senator Hoar in a recent speech in the Senate. "And we all vote" immediately retorted Senator Proctor.

Rockefeller has given \$1,250,000 more to the University of Chicago. This makes \$10,250,000; all told. A school with an Alma Mater like that can smile at fickle fortune, and sing, "Rockefeller to sleep, mother, Rockefeller to sleep."

Guglielmo Marconi, the inventor of wireless telegraphy, announces that he has learned how to prevent the theft of messages sent by his system. If this can be accomplished it removes the greatest objection to the system as a commercial venture.

Miss Portia Knight, the actress who made the Duke of Manchester fork over \$5000 as a bribe to ease her broken heart—which heart the noble duke smashed to smithereens, may be said to be a knight of trouble for the English nobleman.

Another strike is imminent in the East, not for more money, but less hours. It is not an assault upon the cash box, but the clock. A strike resembles a clock in some respects. The clock is often ill-timed, and grows only five minutes before it strikes.

It is said that a home-grown, hand-spanked, hard-fisted country boy makes a much better fighter in the battle of life than the pampered, high-collared, creased-trousered youths of our cities, whose clothes have always been brushed with a whisk broom instead of a shingle.

A Louisville preacher recently made the startling assertion that "home life is safer in the dominion of the Ameer of Afghanistan than it is in Kentucky. There are more murders in Louisville with 200,000 people than there are in London with 7,000,000. There are more murders in Kentucky with its 2,000,000 than in Great Britain with a population of 40,000,000. Finally there are more murders in the United States than in the whole of Europe, with Italy and Turkey left out and Russia included." The Nashville American says that "this statement is true." The American asserts that "no other civilized nation approaches this in the matter of murder and those which come nearest to it are such countries as Italy and Turkey, where the assassin's knife is freely used and where men allow their anger and hate and disgraceful passions to rule their conduct. This nation has a red record of which it should be heartily ashamed."

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Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. full druggists refund money.

ALL OVER MAINE

Several South Portland young men will leave for Cuba this week. They will be employed in the construction of a new railroad on the island.

The national convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in Portland, Oct. 17-22 this year. The sessions will be held in the Jefferson Theatre.

The Socialists of this State are planning for a vigorous campaign next fall. At the State convention in Skowhegan a ticket was nominated, headed by Charles L. Fox for governor.

The Republican State Convention will be held in City Hall, Portland, June 11, at 2 p. m. Hon. N. B. Noble of Phillips will preside. This was decided at a meeting of the State Committee at Augusta Friday evening.

Burglars blew open the safe in the Old Orchard ticket office of the Boston and Maine Railroad Thursday night, and although the office was thoroughly ransacked and the safe practically destroyed, nothing was taken.

An excellent portrait in oils of Ex-Governor Sidney Perham of Paris, recently finished by Mrs. L. H. Clarke of Mechanic Falls, has been hung in the State House in Augusta, where are several of the portraits executed by Mrs. Clarke.

Luther Gannett of Belfast, aged 88, who lived alone, was burned to death in his home Friday. It is supposed that he attempted to light a match during the night, and the bed clothing was ignited. The damage to the house was slight.

In a vacant house at Tenant's Harbor owned by A. H. Burdick of Lynn, Mass., were found more than 200 lbs. of delicious honey. The bees had found entrance at a tiny crevice near one of the eaves. In spite of the fact that the house has had no tenant for several years, it has not proved unprofitable.

A Waldoboro story says schooner Ida C. Southard of that port is returning to New York from a trip to Africa. Capt. Hartly writes home that when on the outward voyage, they picked up what was believed to be a mass of pure ambergris, weighing 1100 pounds, and supposed to be worth more than \$20,000.

Warren Strout, one of the enterprising farmers of E. Raymond, with two farms and milking from 12 to 16 cows, has sold the past year, 2600 lbs. of butter. With this and products of his farm and orchard, and selling of stock, he received over one thousand dollars. From two acres of sweet corn he received \$170.

A sheep ranch is to be established on Long Island in Bluehill bay, Hancock, by Frank Sibley of Boston. He bought 4000 acres and is now having a huge barn constructed. Sheep will be bought, including many imported animals, to the number of 1000, and allowed to run and graze in the pasture land. A keeper will have charge of them, and the barn will be for housing them in storms.

Anthoine Columb of Jay has brought against S. H. Niles of Jay a \$15,000 damage suit which is probably the first of the kind ever brought in any court. On July 1, 1901, Columb bought of a clerk at the store of Niles, what he supposed were Roman candles. When he attempted to fire them as he would Roman candles, they proved to be cannon crackers, and Columb lost both hands. Mr. Niles, against whom the suit is brought, is a wealthy man who does a large business and has been prominent in public affairs.

Wm. H. Walker of Peru, although almost 80 years old, has a farm of 220 acres which he conducts together with his son, Chas. S. Walker. They have greenhouses, and make a specialty of beets and small fruit. Last season they marketed 41 bushels of strawberries. There is a fine granite quarry on the place from which was taken the stone for the Dixfield bridge.

Thomas Gaddis, the sub-marine diver, who has been at work for the government at the East Lamoine coaling station, died Thursday following a descent. He had been ill for several days and went to work too soon. He took a chill after going into the water and in a few hours was dead. He belonged in Boston where his widow lives. He was 54 years of age and at one time served in the British navy.

Harry Hilton, who has been on trial at Skowhegan for negligent shooting of a human being while hunting for deer, was found guilty and sentenced to serve forty days in the county jail. That looks at first blush like a light sentence for carelessness resulting in homicide; but as it is the first conviction ever secured for that offense, notwithstanding the extensive slaughter of the past season, perhaps we can make it do as a starter.

Friday the odor of gas in the corridors of Hotel Atwood in Lewiston attracted attention, and the dead bodies of a man and a woman were found in one of the rooms. They were registered as Jo. Buzzell and wife, but were ascertained to be Joseph LeMay of Canada, who came out of the woods a few days before, and Miss Corinne Tardiff of Lewiston. A bottle of whiskey was found in the room, but the clerk declares that the couple were perfectly sober when they registered. The occurrence is regarded as purely accidental.

The world henceforth will be saved all runaway-horse accidents if the dreams of a Saco inventor are realized. In company with a New Brunswick man, he has invented a device which promises to revolutionize the harnessing and unharnessing of horses. It is a plate of ingenious arrangement designed to be fastened upon both sides of the saddle which locks the entire harness, shafts and breeching hooks but making no disarrangement in the ordinary harness. By the pull of a string the whole thing is released so that the horse goes free from the shafts. This latter result is claimed to insure safety in case of a runaway as the whole harness can be released from the wagon seat. The United States patent was granted January 7. The Canadian patent was granted last May.

Convention Arrangements.

The Christian Endeavorers all over New England are much interested in the plans for the New England convention, to be held in Boston, Oct. 14, 15, 16, and 17, 1902.

The programme committee has just outlined some of the features of this gathering. The committee consists of Rev. Chas. D. Crane of Maine, Rev. John E. Smith of New Hampshire, Col. E. G. Osgood of Vermont, Dr. F. B. Sprague of Rhode Island, Rev. Russell T. Hall, D. D., of Connecticut, H. N. Lathrop, George E. Copeland, Rev. Jas. J. Dunlop, George W. Coleman, Arthur W. Robinson of Massachusetts.

The opening session will be held Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 14, with the usual opening exercises, welcomes, responses, etc. There will also be two addresses at this session, the speakers to be announced later. Tuesday evening the theme will be "Good Citizenship." Wednesday will be State day, and quiet hour meetings will be held in the morning at the State headquarters. The programme for the remainder of the day has been left with the State organizations, and the meetings will be held at the various State headquarters.

On Thursday morning one large quiet hour meeting will be held in Tremont Temple. Following that, in the same auditorium, there will be a discussion of practical methods of work along the lines of the various activities of Christian Endeavor. These will include "Open

Perhaps It's Worms

The worried mother often wonders what ails a child who is cross and languid. She generally treats it for everything but the most probable cause—worms. Over 75 per cent. of the ailments of children can be traced directly or indirectly to worms. You can see the result in the languid looks, irritable disposition, restless sleep, variable appetite. What the child needs is

True's PIN Elixir

If worms are present, they will be expelled. If there are no worms, it will act as a tonic, clean out the stomach and bowels through its gentle laxative properties. Given at regular intervals it will guard against worms. It has been in use over 50 years. It is purely vegetable. Harmless under any conditions for children or adults.

See a bottle at druggists. Write for free book "Children and their Diseases." DR. J. F. TRUE & CO., Auburn, Me. Special treatment for tape worm.



Merchants' Day at Norway, Me.

Half fare on the Grand Trunk Railway. Tickets good on any train, Tuesday, February 4th, returning on any train, Wednesday the 5th, all stations from Portland to Berlin Falls, inclusive. You are cordially invited to make our store your headquarters that day. Remember we have one of the largest stocks of Footwear in the State; also Trunks, Bags, and Suit Cases.

Yours truly,

...Smiley Shoe Store...

Norway Maine.

E. N. Sweet, Manager and Salesman. F. W. Faunce, Salesman.
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Baum's Horse and Stock Food.

Is a skillfully prepared combination of the most approved of modern remedies, having a direct stimulating influence on the digestive organs, purifying and enriching the blood, counteracting any poisons generated from inactivity of the organs, and producing at all times a lively appetite, complete assimilation, and maintaining a healthy action of the bowels and kidneys.

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This is no experiment, but has been tested by some of our people and proven to be of positive value as a stock food.

GIVE IT A TRIAL.

WOODBURY & PURINGTON.

Parliaments," "Round Tables" and "Schools of Methods," the idea being to bring out the best way in which Christian Endeavor work can be done.

The first half of the Thursday afternoon session will be devoted to missionary addresses and the latter part to junior work.

The closing session on Thursday evening will have for its general subject, "Christian Endeavorers as Workers Along Evangelistic Lines."

Junior work will receive especial attention at this meeting, and a conference of junior workers will be held on each day of the convention.

Friday, Oct. 17, will be devoted to sight seeing in and about Boston, and excursions will be arranged to all points of historic interest.

The officers of the United Society have joined heartily in this work. The completion of the details with reference to the programme has been left to a sub-committee, consisting of Rev. J. J. Dunlop, Dr. F. B. Sprague, Rev. John E. Smith, H. N. Lathrop, Geo. W. Coleman and Arthur W. Robinson.

Special rates will be secured from all points in New England, the railroads co-operating heartily in the plan for bringing the Endeavorers of New England together in Boston.

As there is to be no international convention next year, this gathering will take the place of the larger conventions, and in influence and interest promises to be the equal of many of those meetings.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of ALTON P. BLAKE, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 28 Jan. 21, 1902. Gilman L. Blake.

NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of ROBERT E. POWERS, late of Greenwood, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. 28 Jan. 21, 1902. Helen L. Powers.

A Complete Surprise.

The people of Bethel will be pleased to know that Harry Raymond Pierce and Zuleta Spencer Pierce of Redpath Lyceum Bureau of Boston, who pleased the audiences in Odeon Hall so much last season, will give their new evening entitled "A Complete Surprise" Feb. 5, Wednesday night, at Odeon Hall.

The program consists of two sketches, given in costume—single impersonations, vocal and wistling duets.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce have been appearing in the different lecture courses of New England and meeting with great success.

They have something new and novel in the entertainment line, don't miss it.

Get What You Ask For!

When you ask for Cascarets Candy, Cathartic be sure you get them. Genuine tablets stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. A substitutor is always a cheat and a fraud. Beware! All druggists, roc.

Pure Milk

delivered in Bethel Village at 5 cts. per quart. Customers that start in taking milk in the month of February and continue, will get their milk in June, July and August, at 4 cts. Drop me a postal. C. C. MERRILL.

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SOUTH PARIS NEWS.

Local and Personal Items From Our Shire Town.

Mr. Albert Cash is dangerously ill with pneumonia.

Rev. Mr. Hooper preached Sunday to a very large congregation.

Mr. Charles Allen, who severely injured his hand a few weeks ago, has resumed work with the Paris Mfg. Co.

At a meeting Tuesday evening a parish was organized to be known as the First Universalist parish of So. Paris, Me. The following officers were elected:

Moderator—S. P. Maxim.
Clerk—W. L. Farrar.
Treasurer—A. D. Park.
Trustees—S. P. Stearns, A. C. Shurt-
Jeff, W. L. Farrar.

The P. H. S. L. A. gave a lyceum Friday evening. The following program was carried out:

Prayer, Rev. W. E. Brooks
Secretary's Report, Sara Swett
Violin Solo, Bessie Mason
Recitation, Miss Thomas
Debate.—Question. Resolved that the
the Anarchists should be ex-
pelled from United States.

Vocal Solo, Prof. H. Eaton
Reading, Miss Thomas
School Paper, Edited by Lisbeth Mur-
phy and Abbie Starbird.
Piano Solo, Ruby Clark

The judges, Rev. Mr. Brooks, Mr. Wendell Rounds, and Mrs. Geo. Morton, decided in favor of the Aff. The disputants were, affirmative: Harry Shaw, Frank Doble. Negative: Frank Bonney, Roy Cole. The next lyceum will be given in two weeks.

Rev. O. E. Thayer, presiding elder for the Portland district, will lecture Wednesday night at the M. E. church.

Rev. Clarence Eberman will speak at the Congregational church to the C. E. society and friends Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock and Tuesday evening.

The William K. Kimball G. A. R. and Relief Corps had a supper and camp-fire Saturday evening, and invited Harry Rust post and corps from Norway.

Miss Lousia and Miss Susie Chase of Paris Hill spent Friday afternoon and Saturday with Miss Rosa Murphy.

Rev. Caroline Angell will preach next Sunday in New Hall.

Mr. Pierce, D.D. is about to move to Keene N. H. He was formerly pastor of the Universalist church on Paris Hill.

RUMFORD FALLS.

Quite a number of our people attended the Sousa concert last week.

Mrs. H. G. Steinfield of Berlin, N. H., visited relatives in town last week.

Mrs. Charles Cotton is seriously ill of pneumonia.

James Pottle has returned to his home in Eastport.

Dudley Wall has gone to Fayette, where he will engage in the saw mill business.

The French Beauties Burlesque Co. were obliged to remain two evenings to accommodate all those who wished to witness the performance.

The insurance on the burned property of V. A. Linnell, has been satisfactorily adjusted and a crew of men are putting up the frame for a new two story mill on the site of the burned property.

George Pike is working in Rockland.

J. W. Withee is moving into his new house on the corner of Franklin St. and Rumford Ave.

GRAFTON.

E. I. Brown was in town recently. J. S. Lane was in Newry over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Muse, who are at Poplar Tavern this winter, were at O. N. Brooks' Sunday.

Julian Farrar was home from Newry over Sunday; he is working for John Allen.

O. A. Buck of Bethel, is pressing hay in this town; Messrs. Wight, Waterhouse, and Annis are helping him.

School closed last Friday, after a term of ten weeks taught by Ruth E. Brown. Clyde Brooks, Gleanne Brooks and Leon E. Blodgett were not absent nor tardy during the term. Elmer Brooks was absent but one day; Elmer Parker and Leslie Davis, not more than two days; Arthur Parker, Allen Brooks and Irving Davis, but three days.

NORWAY.

Harry Crockett will soon sever his connection with C. N. Tubbs & Son's store and join his parents in Richmond.

Norway had 52 deaths, 53 births and 29 marriages in 1901.

The shoe factory boilers were recently inspected by Charles Noyes of Boston.

Superintendent Tarr's son Ernest had several toes crushed, last week, by getting them under a runner while trying to catch on to a team for a ride.

Gen. L. H. Kendall, Col. Osgood and Chaplin Carver, officers of the Maine Corps of the National Army, Spanish War Veterans, came to Norway, the 21st inst., and formed Capt. Frank T. Bartlett Camp, No. 130.

Mrs. Sarah Plummer of Idaho Springs, Colo., is visiting at John N. Baker's.

S. R. Sanborn, of the Radcliffe factory, has gone to Hallowell to work.

John Henry Millett, aged 76 years, a highly respected resident of Norway, died at his home in Millettville, Jan. 19, after an illness of several months.

L. A. Flint, while descending Pike's Hill Thursday morning, from the spring with a load of water, lost his supply of spring water and bottles. When he was nearly opposite F. P. Stone's place his sleds slowed around so that the team was headed up instead of down the hill. Mr. Flint was thrown out and the horse went down. The harness unfastened from the sled and it commenced a rapid descent of the hill, coming to a stop in the front yard of Col. E. F. Smith's residence. The sled was badly wrecked, but out of four or five dozen gallon bottles of water nineteen were picked up all right. Man and horse escaped injury.

Miss Lulie Tuell of West Paris was in town during last week assisting Miss Pike at the National Bank during Cashier Smith's absence at Damariscotta, Bar Harbor and Hallowell, where he officially visited Chapters of Royal Arch Masons.

C. W. Partridge's horse ran away from the depot where Mr. Partridge was attending to loading popular, one day last week.

Thomas J. Muirhead has a position in a shoe factory at Auburn and has gone there to work.

Ernest Maxim's horse ran away from the stable on Danforth Street one day last week, and smashed the sidewalk and harness badly.

The eighth annual ball will be given by the clerks Tuesday evening, Feb. 4, at the Opera House. Stearns' Orchestra of ten pieces will furnish music and the affair promises to be the one of the season. Reduced rates have been secured on the Grand Trunk and the attendance is sure to be large.

Mrs. S. A. Bennett slipped and fell on the ice, Saturday afternoon, breaking her hip.

HANOVER.

The heavy rain of last Wednesday caused the ice in the Andros-coggin to break up.

Mr. Albert Abbot and Miss Emma Glines made us a pleasant call the first of the week.

Mr. Harmon with Master Robert Hayford made C. F. Saunders a pleasant call, recently.

Mrs. Caroline Bartlett was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Martha Bartlett, Tuesday.

A Cough

"I have made a most thorough trial of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and am prepared to say that for all diseases of the lungs it never disappoints."

J. Early Finley, Ironton, O.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral won't cure rheumatism; we never said it would. It won't cure dyspepsia; we never claimed it. But it will cure coughs and colds of all kinds. We first said this sixty years ago; we've been saying it ever since.

Three sizes: 25c, 50c, \$1. All druggists. Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it to him. We are willing. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

The Small of the Back

That is where some people feel weak all the time.

They are likely to be despondent and it is not unusual to find them borrowing trouble as if they hadn't enough already.

The fact is their kidneys are weak, either naturally or because of sickness, exposure, worry or other influences.

"I am thankful to say," writes J. L. Campbell, of Syracuse, N. Y., "that Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured me. For many years I was troubled with backache. At times I was so bad I had to be helped from the bed or chair. I am now well and strong and free from pain. What this great medicine did for him it has done for others."

Hood's Sarsaparilla. Promises to cure and keeps the promise. Begin treatment with Hood's today.

Mr. Charles Kimball and daughter, Mrs. Ella Chase from Rumford Falls, were the guests of J. D. Kimball, recently.

Mr. Harmon closed his school in district No. 2, Friday, and returned to Bates, Saturday.

The Ladies' Union Circle Sale at Newry Corner was postponed till Friday evening when it was very well attended, especially by young people. Quite a large number were up from the village.

WEST BETHEL.

"Nothing is lost that hath beauty to save. Purity rises in flowers from the grave. And from the blossoms that fade on the tree. Falseth the seed of the blossoms to be; Life unto Death is mortality's growth. Something immortal is under them both;

Surely as cometh the Winter, I know There are Spring Violets under the snow."

Fred Wood and Vine McLean were in Lewistown Saturday.

Those who went to the skating party, Saturday evening, reported a fine time.

J. T. Lewis of North Waterford has been enjoying a rest with friends here.

The January thaw reached Bethel on time, but left enough snow for good sleighing.

Herbert E. Mason was in Portland a few days last week, returning home Thursday.

Eugene A. Briggs has gone to work as motorman on the Elevated Street Railway in Boston.

Good skating Friday and Saturday, and children of all ages from six to sixty enjoyed the sport.

Asa Flint came down from Northumberland, N. H., Saturday, and spent Sunday with relatives and friends in this village.

The town schools have closed for the winter, and Miss Cleo Russell has given very good satisfaction as a teacher here.

Mrs. Sarah Mason, wife of Moses Mason, formerly of North Albany, died Friday in the hotel in this village, and was buried Sunday in the Flat cemetery.

EAST BETHEL.

Mr. Payson Rich has closed his home here and gone to Hartford. Miss Blanche Bartlett has returned home from Massachusetts.

Fred C. Bean with team is working at Scribner's mills, Rumford.

Mr. Fred Cole has sold out his business at Rumford Falls, and gone to Washington, D. C. with intentions of moving there later.

Mrs. J. M. Bartlett is visiting her husband and other relatives in Berlin, N. H.

Miss Helen Bartlett has closed her home here, and will spend the winter with friends in Massachusetts.

Mr. Elmer Cole has closed out his business at Berlin, N. H., and moved to Rumford Falls where he is working for Mr. Sumner Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tracy entertained the Young Whist Club last Friday evening. Miss Amy Bartlett won the ladies' prize, and F. B. Howe the gentlemen's. Refreshments of coffee, cake, and confectionery were served, and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

For Sale.

Stock of General Merchandise, \$3000—with loan of store, good will of business, situated in flourishing village on Grand Trunk R. R. Annual business \$8000 to \$10,000. Excellent location to buy cord wood, for Portland and Lewiston market. Apply to JOHN F. COBB, Auburn, Me.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

London consumes eleven tons of salt a day.

Standard oil stock went down to 615 Monday.

There are 798 distinct species of roses in existence.

Chicago has invested close to \$1,000,000 in golf grounds.

Germany, at the end of 1902, will have a standing army of 495,500 men.

Scientists say disturbances in Mexico are due to volcanic eruptions.

A scientist claims that the camel is the "only known animal that cannot swim."

The appropriation by Congress for pensions is six and a half million dollars less than last year.

Five gold beds have been discovered in the Western States by means of an electrical "divining rod."

A Chicago judge has decided that \$25 is enough to marry on. Probably he has no daughters of his own.

The first glass made in this country was manufactured in Jamestown by the English colonists in 1609.

There are over 3000 firms in the world manufacturing munitions and supplies of war; of these 900 are in America.

Copper money in France is to be gradually replaced this year by aluminum bronze pennies of a pale yellow color.

Thirty millions of men in this great country. And not one who can keep his pants on decently without suspenders.

The official census returns of Canada for 1901 give a population of 5,369,666, an increase of 536,425 for the decade.

France contemplates establishing wireless telegraphy between Algiers and Timbuctoo across the Sahara Desert.

According to official central market statistics recently issued, 800 tons of snails were sold in Paris during the year 1901.

Thirty million stamps bearing King Edward's portrait were placed on sale in the postoffices throughout England on New Year's day.

Friends of Mrs. Harrison, the widow of the late President, at her request, have decided to abandon the bill intended to give her a pension.

A ton of lead is fired for every man killed in battle. Statistics of European wars show that from 3000 to 10,000 shots are fired for every person disabled.

Quails are becoming so scarce in Europe that France and Germany have joined in prohibiting the killing of the birds, and even the transport of dead quails across their respective territories.

"The art of printing, sir," exclaimed the Optimist, "is in its infancy! My grandson, and possibly my son, will one day have his Sunday newspaper brought to him in twenty-eight handy quarto volumes, in a polished oak bookcase, all for five cents!"

A syndicate of Pittsburg, Pa., capitalists have concluded negotiations for 11,000 acres of coal land in the first pool district. The price is said to have been \$8,000,000. Eight mines are to be opened to have a daily capacity of 12,000 tons, and 1000 houses for the workmen are to be built.

According to the almanacs, there will be five eclipses this year—three of the sun and two of the moon. Only one will be visible in the United States and that will be a total eclipse of the moon, which will occur on October 16-17. The moon will enter the shadow at 10:17 p. m., the eclipse will be total at 11:19 p. m. and ends at 12:48 a. m.

Suicide continues to increase in the United States. The total number reported to the Chicago Tribune for the year 1901 is 7,245, as compared with 6,755 in 1900 and 5340 in 1899. Of this total, 5,850 were males and 1,395 females, which curiously shows the same proportion of nearly five males to one female for several years past. Physicians, as usual head the list among professional men, the record standing: Physicians, 33; actors, 10; clergymen, 10; bankers, 6; journalists, 6; college professors, 1.

ACETYLENE LIGHTING.

If you are contemplating lighting your house, it will be to you advantage to investigate the

VICTORIA ACETYLENE GAS MACHINE.

This machine is endorsed by the national board of Underwriters and sold under a guarantee. One hundred and fifty-five of these machines are working successfully in this State. Testimonials on application. Bethel reference, Ceylon Rowe.

M. W. Carrier, Agent,

BETHEL HOUSE, BETHEL, MAINE.

A Pointer

That indicates the way the breeze of popular favor is blowing, is the gratifying support that we are receiving in our effort to save money for our customers.

Groceries

That are fresh and sweet at prices as low as the lowest. WILLIAM TELL FLOUR A SPECIALTY.

IRA C. JORDAN, BETHEL, MAINE.

Teachers' Meeting at Rumford Falls.

A one day teachers' meeting will be held at Rumford Falls, Saturday, Feb. 1. This is not a county convention but has been arranged for a group of towns that can be conveniently reached from Rumford Falls. The P. & B. R. R. has generously granted special rates and a special train from Canton and Livermore Falls and way stations. This train will leave Gilbertville at 9:45, connecting with the regular morning trains from Canton and Livermore Falls. Returning the train will leave Rumford Falls at 5:30 and run through to Livermore Falls and Canton. Teachers, school officers and the general public are cordially invited to this meeting. Following is the program for the day:

9:15 to 10:15. Miss Frances Wilson, supervisor of music and drawing in Rumford will outline the February work in those branches. Visiting teachers are invited to this exercise. The regular program will open at 10:30, immediately after arrival of special train from Canton and Livermore Falls.

PROGRAM.
Singing, Division of Third Grade
Prayer, Rev. J. D. Graham, Rumford Falls
Introductory Remarks, Supt. Payson Smith
Correlation of English with Other High School Branches, Prin. J. M. Pike, Livermore Falls
Language in the Primary Grades, Elizabeth B. Hall, Lewiston
Correction of Errors of Speech, Etta M. Howe, Hanover
Question Box, conducted by State Supt. W. W. Stetson
12:00 to 1:00, Dinner.
Afternoon Session at 1:00.
Teaching Exercise, Gertrude B. Sands, Rumford Falls
Address, Hon. W. W. Stetson
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New York, May 11.—Acetylene gas is said to be the most brilliant illuminant which can be used for ordinary lighting, and it is fast becoming a dangerous competitor of coal gas, kerosene and electricity. Acetylene (pronounced a-set-e-lean) is made by combining ordinary water with carbide of calcium, and when generated in a properly constructed apparatus may be used through the usual gas piping in vogue, as pipes can be put in at a small cost.

This gas is nearest to daylight in quality, brilliancy and power, and yet is cheaper than oil, ordinary gas or electricity. Every house, church, factory, place of business or isolated farm house and outbuilding may thus be lighted most brilliantly with gas made on the premises.

The means of making this wonderful gas have within the past few years been so highly perfected in the invention of the Victoria machine that it is now possible for tenants of small cottages to use it at a decided saving.

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In appearance it is like coal, except that it is blue in color instead of black, and has the consistency of lime. It is supplied commercially at about 3½ cents a pound, one pound giving the equivalent of a 16 candle power light (¼ foot burner) for 20 hours. The light produced is a soft white, and so pure that delicate colors may be as readily distinguished as in daylight. The flame consumes 92 per cent. of the gas, while with ordinary city gas or gasoline gas, only 33 per cent. is consumed, the balance, passing off into the atmosphere unburned, vitiating the air greatly as is the case with kerosene lamps.

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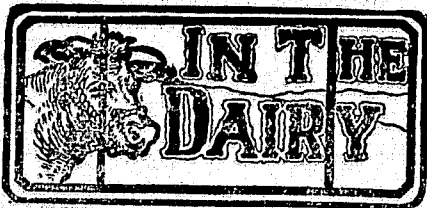
To all persons interested in either of the
Estate hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for
the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday
of January in the year of our Lord one
thousand nine hundred and two, the follow-
ing matter having been presented for the
action thereupon hereinafter indicated.
It is hereby ordered that all persons
interested by causing a copy of this order to
be published three times successively in the
Bethel News a newspaper published at Bethel,
in said County, that they may appear at the
Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the
third Tuesday of February, A. D. 1902, at 9 o'clock
in the forenoon, and be heard thereon
as they see cause.

HATTIE G. CHAPMAN late of Bethel, de-
ceased; final account presented for allowance
by Horatio N. Upde, administrator.

HERMAN E. BROWN, ward of Albany;
first account presented for allowance by Fran-
cis H. Tuell, guardian.

ADDISON E. HERRICK, Judge of Probate.
A true copy—Attest:
ADDISON E. HERRICK, Register.

HOME
AND
CHILD

Does your horse "feel his
oats"? What a difference be-
tween the grain-fed and the
grass-fed horse! The first
strong and full of ginger, the
second flabby, weak and tired
out before he begins. The
feeding makes the difference.

Children are not alike either.
One is rosy, bright-eyed, full
of life and laughter, another is
pale, weak and dull. The feed-
ing again is responsible.

Sickly children need special
feeding. They don't "feel their
oats". Scott's Emulsion adds
just the right richness to their
diet. It is like grain to the
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WINTER CARE OF COWS.

Warm Stables, Balanced Rations and
Pure Water Necessary.

The rules for taking care of cows are
so few and simple that we wonder why
we should repeat them each year, but
each year we see so many who do not
practice them that we cannot refrain,
hoping that we may reform some of
them, says American Cultivator. One
of the first requisites is a warm barn,
not only for the comfort of the cows,
but for the profit of the owners. When
we think of some of the barns we knew
when a boy, where the snow blew in
through the cracks behind the animals
and their tails were perhaps frozen
down into the manure, we do not won-
der that farmers thought they were
"tail sick" in the spring or had a
"wolf" in the tail. Luckily there are
not many such barns now, for the
farmers have learned that it took good
cornmeal to keep up the heat of the
system, and that was more expensive
than shingle, and as the cold grew in-
side the barn the milk yield decreased.
If those barns remain the cracks have
been covered, and perhaps our modern
barns now err in the other extreme of
being so tightly closed as to lack suffi-
cient ventilation, a fault that can be
remedied by the use of ventilating
tubes from near the floor behind the
animals to some point where they can
carry out the foul air above the hay.

Another point is a comfortable bed
to protect them from cold, the hard and
often cold floors.
Of course good food and enough of it
is necessary, but that is not all. The
food should be varied in such propor-
tions as to make what is called a bal-
anced ration, enough grain so mixed
with the rough fodder as to keep the

A noted western man riding across
the country and noting thousands of
acres of cornstalks standing in the
field from which the ears had been
jerked said, "The farmer is conducting
the only business in the world that al-
lows a man to lose 45 per cent of his
capital stock and at the same time to
live." Out of our great corn crop of
nearly 2,000,000,000 bushels annually
only a very small part of the fodder is
turned to much account, says Kansas
Farmer. At the very lowest estimate
the stalks yielding one bushel of corn
are on an average worth 10 cents for
feed, even including the great corn re-
gions, a total of \$200,000,000 lost. In
the south generally little value is at-
tached to cornstalks as fodder. In the
west many farmers let their cattle
roam in the fields and pick off some
leaves, eat a little of the stalk and
trample the rest down. Nearly the
whole of the thin, hard outside coating af-
fords nutritious fodder if it is cut at
the proper time and well cured. It
needs to be cut when not so green as
to mold in the shocks, but not so ripe
as to lose all its succulence and be-
come woody. Experience and observa-
tion will generally indicate to every
one the proper time for cutting it.

Plant Fodder Corn.
Fodder corn is a cheap and valuable
food to retain the milk product during
July and August, when the pastures
dry up and cattle lose in flesh and
milk. It may be cut up and mixed
with feed, fed whole or used as ensi-
lage. Every farmer keeping cattle for
dairy purposes should raise a large
field of it each year for summer and
winter use. Sow upon good land in
drills about three feet apart and keep
well cultivated. If seed corn especially
adapted for that purpose be used, a
much larger yield per acre can be had
than by using field corn.

Thrashing Corn Fodder.
Haul the shock corn to the barn and
run it through the thrashing machine.
This cuts and splits the stalks all fine,
shells and separates the corn and
beats up the cobs. This process
leaves the fodder in fine shape for
feeding stock, as there is no waste,
and if managed so as to run it from
the machine into the barn is certainly
a great saving.

Jersey Gazelle's Fawn 93,704.
[Highest testing daughter of King of St. Lam-
bert—25 pounds 2½ ounces butter and 333
pounds 1 ounce milk in seven days; owned by
Cherry farm.]

proportions of protein to carbohydrates
at about one to five, but much depends
upon the breed and more upon the animal
and its condition, and there can be
no exact rule given as to the best mix-
tures or the exact amount. Any farmer
can get from the experiment sta-
tions bulletins giving tables of the val-
ue of feeding stuffs and figure out rat-
ions for his animals to suit himself,
watching the results and varying them
as he finds it necessary.

After food naturally comes water.
This should be always pure and clean,
and we would wish it could be always
warm. There should be some cheap de-
vice for quickly warming the water in
the trough. In fact, we think there
has been such patented, but have not
seen them in use. We have seen water
warmed by steam at a low pressure
conveyed to the trough in pipes and
were told that for a herd of twenty
cows the milk product was increased
enough to make it very profitable.

AN HUMBLE BEGINNING.
He—"I am so glad that you are
willing to begin housekeeping in a
simple and economical way, but
are you sure you can get along
without servants?"

She—"Yes indeed; that's easily
fixed. We can hire furnished
apartments which have been left
in charge of a housekeeper, you
know; and as for the meals, we
can leave our orders with a caterer."

WIT AND WISDOM.

"Say!" asked the lad of ten who had
A most inquiring mind,
"Who is it loses all the fault
That other people find?"

Impossible to foresee an accident.
Not impossible to be prepared for it.
Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil.
Monarch over pain.

"It's a glorious toime I've had
today." "And what hev'ye ben a-
doin'?" "Marchin' in Hinnegan's
funeral, good luck to him."

"Little Colds" neglected—thous-
ands of lives sacrificed every year.
Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup
cures little colds—cures big colds
too, down to the very verge of con-
sumption.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., asserts
that the world does not owe every
man a living. Mr. Rockefeller
collected his in advance.

Two million Americans suffer
the torturing pangs of dyspepsia.
No need to. Burdock Blood Bit-
ters cures. At any drug store.

There is nothing so striking as
good nonsense for those who un-
derstand it; but the trouble is it
takes a wise man to understand it.

Stops the Cough and Works off the
Cold.
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets
cure a cold in one day. No Cure,
No Pay. Price 25 cents. 1y Aug 22.

There is some reason to believe
that quite a number of Boers have
been numbered with the slain with-
out being killed.

A Good Recommendation.
"I have noticed that the sale on
Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver
Tablets is almost invariably to
those who have once used them,"
says Mr. J. H. Weber, a prominent
druggist of Cascade, Iowa. What
better recommendation could any
medicine have than for people to
call for it when again in need of
such a remedy? Try them when
you feel dull after eating, when you
have a bad taste in your mouth,
feel bilious, have no appetite or
when troubled with constipation,
and you are certain to be delighted
with the prompt relief which they
afford. For sale by Wiley.

Jenkins—"The world is getting
better every day; don't you think
so?" Tompkins—"Yes; or else we
are getting used to it."

Terrible plagues, those itching,
pestering diseases of the skin. Put
an end to misery. Doan's Oint-
ment cures. At any drug store.

"How many women did you try
to marry before you got me?" she
howled in anger. "Twelve," he
answered sadly, "and I never
thought to count them before,
either."

"Some time ago my daughter
caught a severe cold. She com-
plained of pains in her chest and
had a bad cough. I gave her
Chamberlain's Cough Remedy ac-
cording to directions, and in two
days she was well and able to go to
school. I have used this remedy
in my family for the past seven
years, and have never known it to
fail," says James Prendergast,
merchant, Annapolis, Bay, Jamaica,
West India Islands. The pains in
the chest indicated an approach-
ing attack of pneumonia, which in
this instance was undoubtedly
warded off by Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy. It counteracts
any tendency of a cold toward
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For sale by G. R. Wiley, Bethel;
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West Bethel.

A little judicious guying has
made many a weak man fairly
strong.

Where Ye Spankweed Grows.
There's a curer in our garden, but my nurse
won't tell me where.
That little boy must never see, but always must
be aware,
And in that corner, all the year, in rows and rows
A dreadful little dower called the Spankweed
Grows!

My nurse says that if a boy who doesn't wash his
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Or pulls his little sister's hair should ever find
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The spankweed just would jump at him and dunk
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Some day I'll get the sickle from our hired man,
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I'll go and find that spankweed place; it's some-
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And when I get a swingin' it and puttin' in my
blow,
I bet there'll be excitement where the
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—Paul West in Life.

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A Successful Dairy Cow Breeder.
T. A. Borman of Topeka will teach
judging of dairy cattle at the Kansas
State Agricultural college, March 3 to
8, says Kansas Farmer.

Mr. Borman started in Dickinson
county with a common herd and
through his knowledge of what a dairy
cow should be bred his herd up until
he secured an average of \$81 per cow a
year selling milk to a creamery. He
started with common mixed cows and
by careful selection and breeding in
six years developed a grade cow that
produced 12,000 pounds of milk and
476 pounds of butter in a year with
Kansas grown feeds. The average
scrub cow gives seventy pounds of but-
ter in a year. Many of the cows from
his breeding refuse to become dry.

Shredding Corn Fodder.
Nearly one-half of the feeding value
of the corn plant is in the stalk, and if
fed to the cows in the usual manner a
large part of this food value is wasted
in the stalks left uneaten, says
Hoard's Dairyman. Shredding puts
this food in a shape to be used by the
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allow the corn fodder to remain stand-
ing in the fields. The loss from rain,
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is left in the fields.

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Out.

That "played out"
ing makes life
sufferer from KI-
headaches and un-
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Do
Kidney

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common backach-
bates.

Mr. L. T. Wilson
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in the joints and in-
chest, causing dis-
tress and many
up. As I had ren-
Don's Kidney Pills
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spot at once, and I
the box before I was
I gave the balance of
and there was plen-
though neither of us
I am prepared from
and from their effe-
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Island Pond, leave,
Gorham,
Gilead,
West Bethel,
BETHEL, arrive,
Lockes Mills,
Bryant Pond,
South Paris,
Lewiston,
Portland,

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Lewiston,
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Lockes Mills,
BETHEL, arrive,
West Bethel,
Gilead,
Gorham,
Island Pond,
The train which lea-
2:30 A. M., and the
Portland at 6:00 P.
all others every day
Sunday except stat-
7:30 A. M., arriving at
and at Berlin, 11:15
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"Take care of yours-
"I'll try to," we answer,
care, yet in spite of wa-
and mackintoshes, an a-
bowed out by pneumo-
and chest diseases le-
caught cold, neglected
them, were torn by in-
inflammations and con-
fever, tired out by pain
the light. The hour y
have a cold on the che-
Porous Plaster whose
skin is felt. If you th
make it two. No har-
ered with them. They
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tion as to exposure—yo-
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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY

Time Table in Effect December 11, 1901.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Island Pond, leave,	2.30	6.30
Gorham,	4.34	8.30
Gilead,	5.38	9.37
West Bethel,	5.47	9.49
BETHEL, arrive,	5.14	8.53
Lockes Mills,	5.30	9.05
Bryant Pond,	5.30	9.05
South Paris,	6.08	9.30
Lewiston,	7.05	10.30
Portland,	8.00	11.15

TRAINS GOING WEST.

	A. M.	P. M.
Portland, leave,	3.15	1.30
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Our Young Readers

A Bothered Boy.

I wonder why it is that girls are always told that they should do just like their mamas do in every single way? It's awful easy for a girl to git along, becuz They praise her up fer actin' just the way her mama daz. I wonder why it is that boys can't go and do the way Their pas do, and still not get licked or lectured every day? Their pas they nearly always smoke and many of them chew, And wunst my par he got so mad I heard him swearin', too. I wisht somebody'd tell me why it's always wrong Fer boys to do things that their pas keep doin' right along; I wisht I knew why girls can act just like their mamas do, And, what is more, git loved a lot and praised up for it, too! —S. E. Kiser.

Little Boy Black.

Little Boy Black sat half the day On the steps of the old red house, Watching the little white boys at play, Like a poor little frightened mouse. He wondered why they passed him by, With never a kind look back And why they'd play all a summer day— But never with Little Boy Black.

Little Boy Black was five years old, His father and mother were dead; His granny fought off hunger and cold And gave him his milk and his bread. The boys would scan her little man, As the old fence he peeped through, And ran away as they heard him say, "I wish I was Little Boy Blue!" Little Boy Black's small hands are crossed On his little white shrouded breast, And nevermore will his heart be tossed On the waves of his deep unrest. His sobs and sighs, his sad, wet eyes Are silent and calm to-night; His soul has flown to a fairer zone, Where Little Boy Black is white. —John Ernest McCann.

The Last Move.

Every boy has his favorite game, I suppose, and Robert Parker's favorite indoor recreation is the game of chess. This is his especial delight, and though Mabel, his little sister, says that she doesn't see what there is to like in that game, Robert simply smiles and says to her, "When you're older, perhaps you'll see something to like in it." Robert's father is teaching him how to play, and the other evening the hour came for bedtime before the game was finished.

"We'll leave the game standing just as it is," said Mr. Parker, "and finish it to-morrow, if you like." "All right," answered Robert, "I should very much like to finish it. It seems to me we are pretty near the last move now."

The next day, right after breakfast, Robert went into the library to take a look at the chess board. What a sight it was that greeted him! The last move had been taken, and the game was ended! Somebody had left the door open, and Princess, the cat, with her three little kittens, had gone in and made themselves thoroughly at home. Those chess men seemed to be just the thing to play with, so one of the kittens thought, and while Princess looked gravely on, this mischievous kitty knocked down the king and the queen, rolled the knights all over the board, and ended by scattering the whole game. "Just come and look here, father," called Robert. "Kitty has finished our game for us."

"Well," said Mr. Parker, laughing heartily as he saw what had happened, "Kitty has made the last move and so I suppose well have to say that she has won the game." —American Messenger.

A Mother's Prayer.

Mrs. Benson was a widow. Her husband, a good man, had died when her only child, Arthur, was a babe. How she loved the boy! And she loved and trusted in God. She could not see Him, yet many times in the day she spoke to Him, and she knew that He heard her, for her heart was glad. She taught little Arthur to pray, and Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." Yet with all her tender care, for the lad, she did not warn him against the worst enemy of man—alcohol. She did not teach him that every boy is

a little soldier, fighting for Christ or against Him; that there are pitfalls everywhere.

One day Arthur went fishing with other boys, and they caught a fine string of fish. These boys carried a bottle of whiskey with their lunch, and coaxed Arthur to drink a glass. He drank more than once, because one glass always cries, "More! more!"

Late that afternoon Mrs. Benson saw a man driving up to her door with her boy.

She almost fainted, but the man carried Arthur in and laid him on his bed.

Then the poor woman knew the worst. Arthur was ill many days. Many times, as he lay with closed eyes, he heard his mother praying for him. She asked God to forgive her that she had not taught her boy to shun the deceitful wine. She thought that he was sleeping.

"Don't, mamma," he said. "You are not to blame! I should not have tasted it, but I did not know that it was poison."

"Dear, Arthur," she said, "forgive me. I should have taught you. The Bible says, 'At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.'"

The mother's prayers were heard. There is not a more earnest temperance worker in the State than young Arthur Benson.

And Mrs. Benson says: "I have learned my lesson. The young soldiers should be taught what an enemy they have to meet and that God will help them to conquer." —Mrs. E. J. Richmond.

Make Your Opportunities.

Boys, make your opportunity as Lincoln made his, as Henry Wilson made his during his evenings on a farm when he read a thousand volumes while other boys wasted their evenings, says "Success." Make it as the shepherd boy Ferguson made his when he calculated the distance of the stars with a handful of beads on a string. Make it, as Geo. Stephenson made his when he mastered the rules of mathematics with a bit of chalk on the side of the coal wagons in the mines. Make it, as Douglass made his when he learned to read from scraps of paper and posters. Make it, as Napoleon made his in a hundred important situations. Make it, as the deaf and dumb and blind Helen Keller is making hers. Make it, as every man must who would accomplish anything worth the effort. Golden opportunities are nothing to laziness, and the greatest advantage will make you ridiculous if you are not prepared for it. —Ex.

Diligence Noticed.

A boy was once walking along a dusty road. The sun was very oppressive, but, as was his usual way, he stepped along quickly thinking that the faster he walked the sooner he would reach the end of his journey. He soon heard a wagon coming, and when it had come up to him the driver reined in his horse, and kindly asked the boy to ride, which invitation he gladly accepted. When he was seated in the wagon, the gentleman, a good Quaker, said: "I noticed these walking along briskly; and so asked thee to ride; but if I had seen thee walking lazily, I would not have done so by any means." —Morning Star.

The Difference It Makes.

"Go away from me, Stanley. Don't you see I'm playing and can't be bothered with you?" little Robbie said crossly to his baby brother. Stanley looked for a minute at Robbie, then a pitiful quiver took possession of his pretty lips. He was not used to having cross words spoken to him. "See, Robbie," said his mother, "Stanley is hurt. Speak kindly to him. He does not like you to use such a cross voice."

Your Tongue

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You can do the same thing. If you are in doubt as to whether you have trouble with your Kidneys or Bladder, put some of your urine in a glass tumbler and let it stand 24 hours; if it has a sediment, or a milky, cloudy appearance, if it is ropy or stringy, pale or discolored, you should lose no time in getting Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy; it can be had of all druggists at \$1.00 a large bottle, or six bottles for \$5.00. It is without question the surest medicine of the age to put a stop to such dangerous symptoms as pain in the back, a frequent desire to urinate, especially at night, scalding burning pain in passing water, inability to hold urine and all the unpleasant and dangerous effects produced on the system by the use of whiskey and beer.

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And what a wonderful difference it made in the baby brother's face when Robbie said softly:

"I'm sorry, Stanley. Kiss me, and I won't speak to you like that again."

Stanley did not understand the meaning of the words, but he did understand that it was a kind, and not a cross voice, that now spoke to him. —Sel.

Pleasant to All.

Be pleasant to playfellows not so well dressed as you. It is said that Edison, the great electrician, when he entered Boston was so poor as to be wearing linen trousers in the depth of winter; he had none warmer. Be pleasant to the afflicted. Milton was blind. Be pleasant to the dull at learning. Many a great man has been a slow boy at his lessons. Be pleasant to those who have ignorant parents and poor homes. Shakespeare was born in a small house, and was the son of a man who could not write his own name. Be pleasant to those in a position beneath your own. The world-famed author of the "Pilgrim's Progress" was only a tinker. Be pleasant to everyone, not only because they may some day excel yourself and rise to fame, but because kindness is Christian and right. —Epworth Herald.

A Queer Landlord.

Wife—Just think of it, George, the landlord told me we'd have to move if we did not pay our rent. George—Well, does he think if we could pay our rent we'd have stayed here as long as we have? —New York Journal.

Exact Mrs. Jones. Mrs. Brown (indignantly)—Is it true that he said I was "fair, fat and forty?" Mrs. Jones—I'm not sure that he said "fair,"—Tit-Bits.

The Cure. "Gladly, if you knew how my heart burns for you!"

Try some baking soda. They say that's a splendid cure for heartburn." —New York Journal.

World. Jimmy—Say, pop, I'd been born twins 'stead o' me, what would my other name be? —New York Journal.

Oh, war is rude and impolite, It quite upsets a nation; 'Tis made of several months of fight And years of conversation.

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WILL EXHIBIT AT CHICAGO.

Grand Trunk Secures Space at the Sportsmen's Show.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company has completed arrangements for an extensive exhibition in connection with the second Sportsmen's Show to be held in Chicago from February 3, until February 22. The Sportsmen's Show is to be held in the Coliseum, a large building admirably suited for the purpose. The exposition will probably be the finest that has ever taken place in America, excelling even that held in Philadelphia during last December. The Grand Trunk exhibit will include the collection of large photographs of scenes throughout the summer resort districts situated on its line, including the Muskaw Lakes, Lake of Bays, Magnetawan River, 30,000 Islands of the Georgian Bay, Kawartha Lakes, and Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching, as well as views on the Portland division; combining land and water scenes, scenes in the White Mountains, and surf bathing scenes taken on the Maine sea coast.

The space to be occupied by the Grand Trunk will be about 4000 square feet, and will be one of the most attractive and most interesting exhibits at the show. In addition to their pictures, several stuffed fish of a species that inhabit the Canadian waters will also be included, as well as wild animals that have been caught in the hunting districts in Northern Ontario.

The Grand Trunk has expended thousands of dollars in bringing before the people of the United States and foreign countries the beauties of the Canadian districts, its efforts being rewarded by exceptional success, as the records of the passenger traffic during the past season show. In the districts embraced in what is known as "the Highlands of Ontario," nearly 30,000 tourists were carried during the summer months, the majority of whom were from the United States. These districts have become so popular that each year finds the hotel accommodation increasing and modern and up-to-date structures are being erected to accommodate the ever increasing travel that is being brought into Canada.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. H. H. H.

People are certainly not what they used to be. Only the other day George Washington was sent to jail for whipping his wife; about the same time Abraham Lincoln shot another negro. I suppose the time will come when J. Pierpont Morgan will starve to death, Russell Sage will shine shoes and Cornelius Vanderbilt will be a hotel porter.



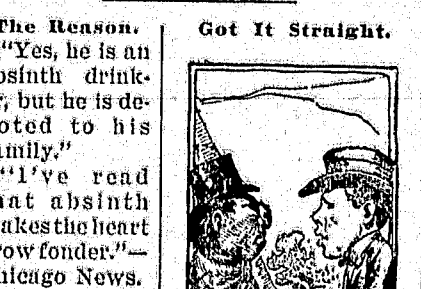
"Marry my daughter? Why, she's a mere child!" "I know it, but I thought I'd come early and avoid the rush." —New York World.



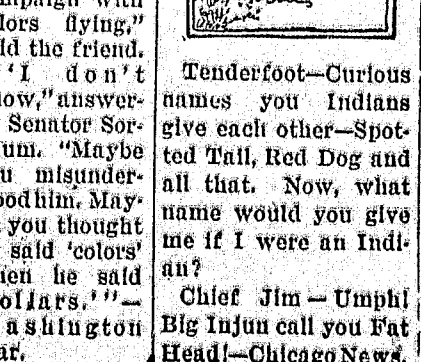
Caller—What is your ambition, my boy? Office Boy—Nuffin. Ain't I office boy now? —New York Journal.



"Yes, dear, our show was a failure, but I got enough vegetables out of it to keep us from starving anyhow." —New York Journal.



The Reason. "Yes, he is an abominable drinker, but he is devoted to his family." "I've read that abstinence makes the heart grow fonder." —Chicago News.



Accuracy. "They told me you came out of your recent campaign with colors flying," said the friend. "I don't know," answered Senator Sorghum. "Maybe you misunderstood him. Maybe you thought he said 'colors' when he said 'dollars.'" —Washington Star.

Tenderfoot—Curious names you Indians give each other—Spotted Tail, Red Dog and all that. Now, what name would you give me if I were an Indian? Chief Jim—Umph! Big Injun call you Fat Head! —Chicago News.

HARD WORK

When Your Nerves Give Way, Dr. Greene's Nervura Builds Them Up and Makes Honest Strength.

The woman who does her own work and takes care of children has need of all her strength. All around us there are examples of what overwork will do. It overtaxes the nerves too, and then trouble begins.

Dr. Greene's Nervura is the great strength-giver for overworked women. It gives them strength from their food and strength from perfect rest at night. It regulates the nerves and builds up in every way.

Mrs. JOHN H. LAUX, 48 Springfield Ave., Newark, N.J., says: "When I began to take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy I was terribly run down. My baby had been very sick, and I was nursing him day and night. I got so worried I couldn't eat nor sleep. When I tried to rest my heart seemed to come in a lump in my throat and choke me, and I would leave everything unattended. Any little noise would make me jump, and I lost all my color and got so thin I thought I would break down myself. That was when I decided to take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and I am thankful to say it helped me wonderfully. It enabled me to bear the terrible strain of my baby's sickness, and kept me from breaking down in spite of all I had to stand. My appetite and color returned and I began to gain flesh. I recommend Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy to all women run down through overwork, sickness, or any cause, and I give this letter in the hope that other mothers who are worrying over their sick children and trying to do their work may know how to keep up the health under such trying circumstances."

You love your home and your children, and you want to do the work, but when you over-do, your nerves begin to cry out against you. You must have help, and you'll find it in Dr. Greene's Nervura, which is known everywhere, and which is everywhere working wonders for women.

People Who Did Not Kill.

The inhabitants of the Canary islands, the Guanches, were, it is supposed, but the mountain shepherds of a submerged world. Though so strong physically, the Guanches were nevertheless a very gentle race. They rarely made war on one another, and when the Europeans fell into their hands they did not kill them, but sent them to tend sheep in the mountains. So tame were the birds in this happy land that when the Spaniards first landed they came and fed out of their hands. To kill an animal degraded a man. The butcher was a reprieved criminal and outcast and lived apart, he and his assistants being supported by the state. No woman was allowed to approach the shambles, and in such horror was killing held by these giants that no man could be ennobled until he had publicly declared that he had not been guilty of killing any animal, not even a goat. Their standard of morality was high. Robbery was almost unknown among them.

Maternal Love of the Whale.

No other member of the animal kingdom displays more maternal affection than the whale, especially if its calf is harpooned. The harpooner never throws his harpoon into the little one with the intention of killing it, for if this is done the mother will instantly forsake it. If alive and struggling, however, the dam can be easily enticed toward the boat to meet its fate. Knowing this, the whale fishermen always strike a calf if possible and thus often make captures that could not be effected under other circumstances.

As soon as the dam becomes aware of the snaring of her young she rushes toward it, encourages it to swim away and even assists it by taking it under her fin. She seems to lose all regard for her own safety and boldly attacks the boat containing the whaler or circles about it totally regardless of the harpoons that are hurled at her and enter her flesh.

Franks of Nature.

A shower of a remarkable character occurred in Sicily on April 24, 1781. On the morning of that day every exposed place within an extensive district was found covered with a gray water which, being evaporated, left a deposit nearly a quarter of an inch in thickness. It was determined that this solid matter must have come from Mount Etna. It is certain that vast quantities of solid substances are constantly afloat in the atmosphere. The sunsets all over the world are redder to this day on account of the dust from the mighty eruption in the strait of Sunda years ago, which has not yet entirely settled.

Fair Bargain.

Uncle Benjamin—What you gib me foah mah koss?

Rastus—Ah'll gib you a load ob hay; dat's a fair bargain.

Uncle Benjamin—You gib me a load ob hay? Ah' what d'you expect Ah'll do wid the hay an' no boss to eat it?

Rastus—Ah'll len' you the boss till he's got it eat up.—New York Times.

Her Accent.

French Professor—Ah, yes, mademoiselle, you spick ze French wizout ze least accent.

Miss Breezy—Real kind of you to say so, but do I really?

"Oh, yes! Zat ees, wizout ze least French accent."

Brine springs flow under the town of Norwich, England. They have been there for centuries and were used for the production of salt long before the Christian era.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Pritchett*
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PELTIS AS CURRENCY

MINKS AND OTTERS WERE LIKE UNTO GOVERNMENT BONDS.

The Days When Muskrats and Coons and Foxes and Wolves and Bears Were the People's Money, So to Speak, in New York State.

The man of leisure from New York city who had been lazing away a fortnight or so of his not particularly valuable time at Kyserick, in Ulster county, N. Y., had made up his mind to return to his haunts in the metropolis and nonchalantly tossed the tavern keeper a one hundred dollar note out of which to take pay for his bill. The landlord could not change the note. Neither could Deacon Blimber, who was by.

It was not until it had been sent all about the neighborhood that any one was found with currency enough on hand to "break" the bill. Farmer Becks had just received pay for his season's tater crop and had change for more than \$100.

"It beats all, an' it's singular," said the landlord as he counted out the New Yorker's change, "what folks goes an' does with all their ready money. There don't seem to be no currency no more—no currency a-circulatin' at all."

This seemed to be Deacon Blimber's opportunity.

"You orto ben here, then," said he, "when my folks settled, somethin' like seventy-five years an' more ago. There was currency enough then, I want to tell ye. It wa'n't silver, though. Nor it wa'n't gold. Nor it wa'n't paper. It was peltis."

"The circ'latin' mejum o' the deestric in them days run from muskrat clean up to b'ar. There was minks an' there was otters, an' the man that could manage to harvest plenty o' them critters was the man that stood way up in the money market. But it wa'n't every one that could gather in minks an' otters, an' so muskrats an' coons an' foxes an' wolves an' b'ars was the real circ'latin' mejum in them days."

"Minks an' otters was what you mowt call go'ternment bonds. Muskrats an' coons an' foxes an' wolves an' b'ars was the people's money, so to speak. If you went to the tavern an' plunked down your muskrat skin, you'd git your snifter o' rum an' tanzey, but you wouldn't git no change. If you plunked down a coonskin, though, you'd git your snifter an' two muskrat skins change."

"A feller that went in with a coonskin he was tol'able well fixed, but with a foxskin or a wolfskin he could shop around quite some. A man with a b'arskin—oh, well! Nobody didn't ask no questions about a man that had a b'arskin with him when he went tradin'!"

"It didn't seem pertic'lar queer in them days the way things was run on that pelt currency, but I've an idea it'd strike folks a leetle sing'lar nowadays. Pears to me I'd have to snort out laughin' my own self if a feller should come to me an' say:

"Deacon, I'm a leetle financially embarrassed today. Ken you lend me a foxskin for a couple o' days or so?"

"That surely would make me snicker if I heerd it now. An' I hear some shoppin' goin' on today like I use to bear it many a time I bet would set me to gigglin' like all possessed. Somethin' like this, for instance, over yerder to Uncle Sile's store:

"How much fer them air cowskins boots, Uncle Sile?"

"Them? Why, a fox an' a coon."

"Leetle high, Sileas. Can't stan' it. Give you three coons fer 'em."

"No. Can't be did nobow. Best I ken do is three coons an' a muskrat."

"That'd be fanner to me than a nigger show now. An' somethin' like this would bust my buttons, I know it would:

"Deacon, ken you give me change fer a wolf?"

"Yes, but I'll have to give you all muskrats."

"But we didn't think nothin' o' it in them days, 'cause it was reg'lar business. That circ'latin' mejum was a leetle onhandy in one way, though. Folks had to carry their currency around in a bushel bag if they was out to do much cash business, an' if they was b'arskin men, why, Judas preachin', they had to carry it in a wagon."

"But them days o' pelt currency was the good old days, I tell you. Still," said the deacon after a pause, "I dunno but I ken manage to slide along jest as cheerful in these days o' gold an' silver an' paper currency, even though it is all pervadin' skeerce."—New York Times.

Tastes Differ.

People have different tastes. Do not grumble at your neighbor because he does not accept your opinions and does not like your amusements. The writer of this does not like football, and a party of students on the streets giving a "yell" annoys him, but other people like football, and we are willing to stand the "yell" and football. It is foolish to condemn a man because his ideas do not agree with yours.—Atlantic Globe.

Troubles of the Rich.

Mrs. Parvenue—The reason we stay longer in the country, my dear, is because your papa is beginning to make so much money.

George—Say, ma, do you think we'll ever get so high toned that we will have to stay in the country till it's cold enough to freeze you?—Smart Set.

Promptness Unappreciated.

George—What's do matter, kid? Willie—It's dis way (boohoo). De boss told me to be prompt about everything, an' now he's fired me because I was too prompt about goin' home.—Chicago News.

THE BOY GIANT AND HIS WONDERFUL TOP

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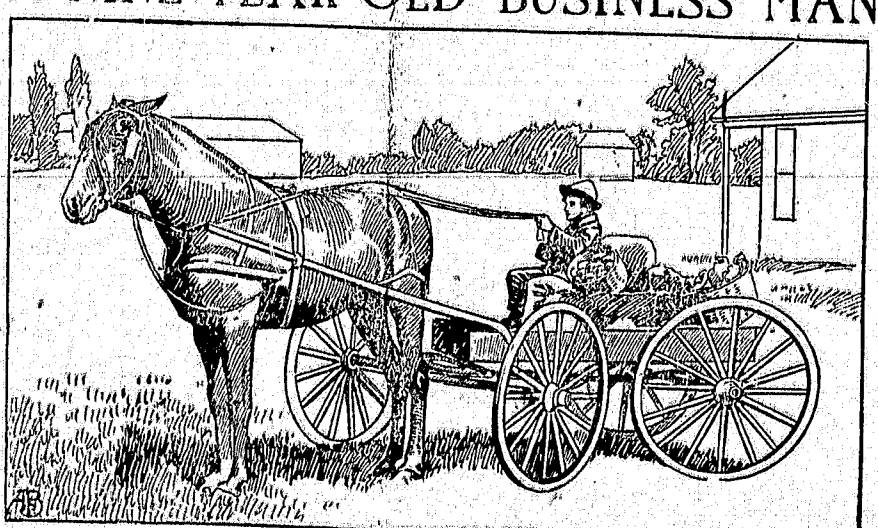


When Ah Grim, the baby giant, got to be a strapping boy, he was teasing Jack each minute for some pretty little toy, and at last, to bring the giant's awful teasing to a stop, Jack employed a dozen workmen to construct the baby's top. They procured a dozen axes and picked out a mammoth tree, which Ah Grim at once uprooted—it was a wondrous sight to see—Then they sawed a piece and hacked it with their axes half a day, till Ah Grim, the baby giant, had a top with which to play.



When he set the top to spinning, it set up an awful roar; Dug a cellar in the roadway and began to bore and bore. Houses trembled all around it, and the walls began to crack, And it must have gone, to China, for Ah never got it back. Sadly Grim went home that evening, for no matter what he'd play All his toys would somehow trick him or would break or get away, And they were so very costly that poor Jack, in wrath, declared That to purchase toys for Ah Grim nevermore could cash be spared.

A NINE-YEAR-OLD BUSINESS MAN



Oliver Chester Hazelrig, a nine-year-old Decatur (Ill.) boy, is a money maker, having earned in his short life over \$600, much of which he has invested in a business that he is carrying on unaided by his parents. The boy started in to make money at six years of age, when a neighbor let him have the milk from a cow, which he sold to other neighbors, netting in the course of a year about \$100. Then he began gardening and peddling vegetables. His stock in trade now consists of a horse and wagon, a pig, a cow, money in the bank and a large garden.—American Boy.

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We expect there will be a thousand people come to Norway on these days. We want you all to call and see us. Don't expect you all to make purchases, but want to meet our customers, get acquainted with strangers and show them our store, goods, and how we do business. Take advantage of the low fare. Take advantage of the

LOW PRICES WE SHALL SELL CLOTHING

for on these days. Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you,

We are yours truly,

F. H. NOYES CO.,
MEN'S AND BOYS' OUTFITTERS,
So. Paris. {2 STORES.} Norway.



Watch 'Em Come Down!

Just about now you are watching for prices to take a drop, and you can ask for no greater drop than we have made in our MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

Trimmed Hats and Fancy Feathers AT HALF PRICE.

\$5.00 Hats for - - - \$2.50
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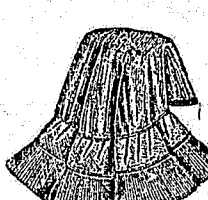
The Best Night Robes

for winter wear are those made of OUTING FLANNEL. They wear well and will be a pleasure every cold night. We have them in solid colors, or in stripes.

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on these also. Any size for lady or child at 43c, 68c, 93c, \$1.13. We are clearing up the odds and ends and you get the advantage. Make your selection while they are going at

E. E. BURNHAM'S,
Cale Block, Bethel, Me.



A BEAUTIFUL SILK SKIRT FREE!

A Rare Chance. You can get this Handsome Silk Skirt and one half dozen Sterling Silver-Plated Tea Spoons Free. We mean what we say, absolutely free. "Quickmail" Rennet Tablets are for making one dozen packages at 10c a package, write to-day, and we will send the half dozen Sterling Silver-Plated Spoons together with offer of this Beautiful Silk Skirt same day money is received. This is a liberal inducement to every lady in the land, and all who receive the spoons and skirts are delighted. "Quickmail Rennet Tablets" received too first-prizes, and are the purest made. FRANKLIN MANUFACTURING COMPANY, 330 Filbert Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

CLOTHING Mark Down

We have marked down every Ulster and Winter Overcoat in the store. The \$15.00 coats are now \$12.00. The \$12.00 coats, \$10.00. The \$10.00 coats, \$8.00. The \$7.50 coats, \$6.00, and the \$5.00 coats, \$4.00. All broken lots in Fancy Suits, marked down in the same manner. All our Fancy Vests, for \$1.50 each. Some of these were sold as high as \$3.00. Tuesday, February 4th, the Grand Trunk Railway sell return tickets to Norway for one-half regular fare, good to return any train February 5th. Make this the time to do your shopping.

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